# VOTES

AND

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE TWELFTH

# GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

# STATE

OF

# *NEW-JERSEY.*

At a SESSION begun at TRENTON on the 23d Day of *October*, 1787, and continued by Adjournment.

Being the first Sitting

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LIST of Perſons returned as MEMBERS of the LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL.

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| *Bergen,* | The Honourable | Peter Haring, | Eſquires. |
| *Eſſex,* | | John Peck, | |
| *Middleſex,* | | Samuel Randolph, | |
| *Monmouth,* | | Aſher Holmes, | |
| *Somerſet,* | | Ephraim Martin, | |
| *Burlington,* | | Joſeph Smith, | |
| *Glouceſter,* | | Joſeph Ellis, | |
| *Salem,* | | John Mayhew, | |
| *Cape-May,* | | Jeremiah Eldredge, | |
| *Hunterdon,* | | Robert-Lettis Hooper, *V. P.* | |
| *Morris,* | | Abraham Kitchel, | |
| *Cumberland,* | | Samuel Ogden, | |
| *Suſſex,* | | Mark Thomſon, | |

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| *Bergen,* | Peter Wilſon, | Eſquires. |
| | Adam Boyd, | |
| | John Outwater, | |
| *Eſſex,* | Henry Garritſe, | |
| | Jonathan Dayton, | |
| | Jonas Wade, | |
| *Middleſex,* | John Combs, | |
| | James Bonney, | |
| | James Douglaſs, | |
| *Monmouth,* | Joſeph Stillwell, | |
| | Thomas Little, | |
| | James Rogers, | |
| *Somerſet,* | Edward Bunn, | |
| | Robert Blair, | |
| | David Kelley, | |
| *Burlington,* | Joſeph Biddle, | |
| | Richard S. Smith, | |
| | Robert-Strettle Jones, | |
| *Glouceſter,* | Thomas Clark, | |
| | Franklin Davenport, | |
| | Joſeph Cooper, | |
| *Salem,* | Thomas Sinnickſon, | |
| | Edward Hall, | |
| | Benjamin Holme, | |
| *Cape-May,* | Matthew Whilden, | |
| | Elijah Townſend, | |
| | Richard Townſend, | |
| *Hunterdon,* | Benjamin Van-Cleve, | |
| | Joab Houghton, | |
| | John Anderſon, | |
| *Morris,* | Ellis Cook, | |
| | Aaron Kitchel, | |
| | John Starke, | |
| *Cumberland,* | John Sheppard, | |
| | Ephraim Harris, *Speaker,* | |
| | John Burgin, | |
| *Suſſex,* | Aaron Hankinſon, | |
| | Charles Beardſlee, | |
| | Chriſtopher Longſtreet, | |

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*TRENTON, Tuesday, October 23, 1787.*

BEING the Time and Place appointed by Law for the first Meeting of the General Assembly, chosen at the late annual Election, several Persons returned as Members attended, to wit, James Douglass, James Bonney, Joseph Stillwell, Thomas Little, James Rogers, Edward Bunn, Robert Blair, David Kelly, Joseph Biddle, Richard S. Smith, Robert-Strettle Jones, Thomas Clark, Franklin Davenport, Joseph Cooper, Benjamin Holme, Thomas Sinnickson, Edward Hall, Benjamin Van-Cleve, Joab Houghton, Aaron Kitchel, Ephraim Harris, John Sheppard, John Burgin, Aaron Hankinson and Charles Beardslee, Esquires, and, being a Quorum, they produced the respective Certificates of their Election, which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon Benjamin Van-Cleve, Esquire, was appointed, agreeably to the Constitution, to qualify Ephraim Harris, Esquire, who, being duly sworn, took his Seat, and the remaining Persons returned as Members, being qualified by the said Ephraim Harris, took their Seats in the House.

The House proceeded to the Election of a Speaker, when the Honourable Ephraim Harris, Esquire, was chosen, and placed in the Chair.

The House proceeded to the Election of a Clerk, when Maskell Ewing was unanimously chosen.

Maskell Ewing attended; and, being duly sworn, took his Seat as Clerk in the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Bonney do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that

the Houſe of Aſſembly have this Day proceeded to Buſineſs, and have choſen the Honourable Ephraim Harris, Eſquire, their Speaker.

*Reſolved*, That Daniel Bellerjeau be Doorkeeper to the Houſe during the preſent Sitting.

A Petition from Frederick Quequelle and George Wilſon, Printers, in Trenton, praying that they may be appointed to print the Laws and Minutes of the Legiſlature, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Wedneſday, October* 24, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Bonney reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Haring.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, October 23, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Haring do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that a Quorum of the Council have this Day met, elected the Honour-'able Robert-Lettis Hooper, Eſquire, Vice-Preſident, and proceeded to Buſineſs.'

Jonathan Dayton, Jonas Wade, John Anderſon, Henry Garritſe, John Starke and John Combs, Eſquires, attended, and produced the reſpective Certificates of their Election, which were read, approved, and ordered to filed; whereupon, being duly ſworn by the Speaker, they took their Seats in the Houſe; and having rendered to the Houſe an Excuſe for their Non-Attendance before this Time,

*Reſolved*, That the ſame is ſatisfactory.

The Speaker laid before the Houſe a Letter from Aaron Dunham, Eſquire, Auditor of Accounts, ſetting forth Difficulties which have ariſen in the Settlement of the Accounts between this State and the United States with the Commiſſioners appointed by Congreſs for that Purpoſe, and deſiring that a Committee may be appointed to join a Committee of Council to confer with and aſſiſt him in the Statement and Settlement of the ſaid Accounts; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Van-Cleve, Blair and Sinnickſon, be a Committee, and that Mr. Dayton do wait on the Council, and requeſt them to appoint a Committee to join the ſaid Committee for that Purpoſe.

A Petition from the Board of Aſſeſſors of the County of Burlington, ſetting forth, that the Aſſeſſors of Burlington refuſed to render any Account of the Merchants, Shopkeepers and Traders in the ſaid Townſhip, alleging that they were exempt from Taxation by a Law making Burlington a Free-Port, &c. was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Smith, Sinnickſon, Sheppard, Davenport and Dayton, or any three of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of Council to ſettle the Accounts of the Treaſurer, and that Mr. Dayton do wait on the Council, and requeſt them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this Houſe for that Purpoſe.

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Blair, Anderſon, Jones, Hankinſon and Stillwell, or any three of them, be a Committee for the preſent Seſſion to join a Committee of the Council on ſuch publick Accounts as may be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legiſlature; that the ſaid Committees ſettle and report all Accounts for the Payment of which when ſettled Proviſion is already made by Law; and that they deliver all others to the Committee of this Houſe appointed to bring in a Bill for defraying Incidental Charges; and that Mr. Dayton do wait on the Council, and requeſt them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this Houſe for that Purpoſe.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Davenport, Smith and Dayton, be a Committee to inſpect and correct the Minutes of the Houſe.

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Biddle, Little and Cooper, be a Committee to examine the Laws of this State, and report ſuch as have expired or are near expiring.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Dayton reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

*Reſolved*, That the Speaker have Power during the Seſſion to convene the General Aſſembly whenever any extraordinary Occaſion may, in his Opinion, render it neceſſary.

The Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Monmouth, praying that a Law may be paſſed to baniſh from this State thoſe Perſons therein who were with the Britiſh Army during the late War, was read, and ordered to be filed.

The Memorial from John Litle and Joſeph Bloomfield, praying, for Reaſons therein ſet forth, that a Law may be paſſed to lay a Duty on Nails, and that the Workmen in the Nail Manufactory, in the City of Burlington, may be exempted from military Service for ſeven Years, was read, and ordered to be filed.

The Petitions from Middleſex, praying that a Law may be paſſed to direct the Meeting of the Legiſlature, and that the Supreme Court may be alternately held at Perth-Amboy and Burlington; alſo the ſeveral Petitions from different Parts of the State, praying that the Supreme Court may be alternately held at Burlington and New-Brunſwick, were read; alſo a Petition from the Majority of the Juſtices and Freeholders of the County of Middleſex, on the ſame Subject, was read,

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petitions be referred to the next Sitting.

The Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of Northampton, in the County of Burlington, praying a Law to direct their Highways to be repaired by Hire, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the State, praying a Revival of the late Law for transferring Property for the Payment of Debts, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Petition from Conrad Ten-Eyck was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to promote the Commerce of New-Jerſey, by 'impoſing Duties on all foreign Goods imported into this State from any of 'the neighbouring States,' was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Peck.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, October 24, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Kitchel and Mr. Ellis, or either of them, be a Committee to 'join the Committee of the Houſe of Aſſembly, to confer with and aſ-'ſiſt the Auditor in the Statement and Settlement of the Accounts between 'this State and the United States, and that Mr. Peck do wait on the Houſe of 'Aſſembly and acquaint them therewith.'

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Smith and Mr. Holmes, or either of them, be a Committee 'to join the Committee of the Houſe of Aſſembly to ſettle the Accounts 'of the Treaſurer; and that Mr. Ogden and Mr. Martin, or either of them, 'be a Committee to join the Committee of the Houſe of Aſſembly to ſettle the 'publick Accounts; and that Mr. Peck do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly and 'acquaint them therewith.'

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The Repreſentation and Petition from Benjamin Manning and Melancthon Freeman, in Behalf of the Townſhip of Piſcataway, was read, and ordered to be filed.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for altering the Time of holding the annual 'Town-Meetings in the Townſhip of Amwell, in the County of Hunterdon,' was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from a Number of Inhabitants of the County of Middleſex, ſetting forth the unſettled Situation of their Titles to Property purchaſed of the Commiſſioners of forfeited Eſtates, and praying the Legiſlature to interfere, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal an Act, intitled, An Act for regulating 'and ſhortening the Proceedings of the Courts of Law, and for aſcertaining 'and eſtabliſhing the Fees to be taken by the Officers of this State,' was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of Marſh, 'Meadows and Swamps, to make the neceſſary Banks, Dams, Waterworks and 'Drains, ſo as effectually to keep the Tide from overflowing the ſame,' was read, and a Petition was preſented from the County of Glouceſter, againſt paſſing the ſame, which was alſo read,

*Ordered*, That the ſame be read a ſecond Time.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Thurſday, October* 25, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Matthew Whilden, Elijah Townſend, Richard Townſend, Ellis Cook and John Outwater, Eſquires, attended, and produced the reſpective Certificates of their Election, which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly ſworn by the Speaker, they took their Seats in the Houſe, and having rendered to the Houſe an Excuſe for their Non-Attendance before this Time,

*Reſolved*, That the ſame is ſatisfactory.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to empower the Inhabitants of this State to main-'tain their Highways by Hire, and to raiſe Money for that Purpoſe,' was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Petition from Samuel Cooper, Daniel-William Cooper and Joſhua Cooper, Owners of Coopers Ferries oppoſite Philadelphia, praying a Repeal of ſo much of the Act, intitled, 'An Act for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, 'Ferries and Taverns,' as reſpects the ſaid Ferries, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The ſeveral Petitions for removing the Courthouſe of Hunterdon County, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for erecting the upper Part of the County of 'Hunterdon and the lower Part of the County of Suſſex into a ſeparate County, 'to be called the County of Independence, and for building a Courthouſe and 'Gaol in ſaid County, and alſo for annexing the Townſhip of Nottingham to 'the County of Hunterdon,' with the ſeveral Petitions reſpecting that Buſineſs, was read, and ordered to be referred to the next Sitting.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to empower Henry Van-Neſte to complete a 'Sawmill and Griſtmill on Lawrence's Brook, in the County of Middleſex,' was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Cape-May, praying that

that a Law may be paſſed to eſtabliſh and open a Road from the Shore of Great Egg-Harbour near the Houſe of Nicholas Stillwell, and from thence by the main Road and a Road lately laid out the directeſt Way to and over the old Toll-Bridge at the Cedar Swamp Creek, and from thence to Tuckahoe near the Houſe of James Willits, junior, and that the ſaid Road may be ſupported by a Tax on the Inhabitants of the County of Cape-May, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Petition of George Budd, of Mount-Holly, praying, for Reaſons therein contained, that a Law may be paſſed to bar an Eſtate in Tail, and to enable him to ſell and convey the Premiſes therein referred to in Fee-Simple, and to fulfil certain Truſts in a Deed from John Sydenham to the Petitioner, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of Marſh, 'Meadow and Swamp, to make the neceſſary Banks, Dams, Waterworks and 'Drains, ſo as effectually to keep the Tide from overflowing the ſame,' was read a ſecond Time, and committed to Meſſrs. Cooper, Clark, Holme, Burgin and Biddle.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for laying out a publick Highway from Cohanſey 'Bridge, in the County of Cumberland, to Jonas Hoffman's Mill, and for eſta-'bliſhing a Ferry over Maurice River,' with the ſeveral Petitions for and againſt the ſame, were read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Combs and Mr. Wade be a Committee to prepare and preſent a Bill for defraying Incidental Charges.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Whilden, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An 'Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of Meadow and Marſh, lying on the 'South Branch of Dennis's Creek, commonly called Mill Creek, in the County 'of Cape-May, to make and maintain a Bank, Dam, Sluice and other neceſſa-'ry Waterworks, to ſtop the Tide out of ſaid Creek, for the Purpoſe of drain-'ing ſaid Marſh;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Meſſage from His Excellency the Governor by Mr. Secretary Reed was preſented, accompanied with an authenticated Copy of the Report of the Convention lately aſſembled at Philadelphia to Congreſs, together with the Reſolution of Congreſs thereupon, which was read; whereupon,

Sundry Petitions from a Number of Inhabitants of different Parts of the State were preſented and read, praying that a Convention may be ordered to conſider of the Federal Conſtitution recommended by the late Convention of the States; which were read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from Benjamin Morgan, praying that the Treaſurer may be directed to deliver him a Bond for Monies due to him from a Fugitive, on which he has received a ſmall Sum of Money from the State, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Two Petitions from the County of Monmouth, praying a Repeal of the Exciſe Law paſſed at the laſt Seſſion; and a Petition from Barnes Smock, Collector of Exciſe in the ſaid County, praying that the Exciſe Law may be ſo altered or amended as to do equal Juſtice; and that he may be diſcharged from his Bonds, were read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Two Petitions from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Middleſex, praying ſome Alteration may be made to the Exciſe Law paſſed at the laſt Sitting, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Friday, October* 26, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Cooper, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act 'to revive and continue an Act, intitled, An Act to empower the Inhabitants 'of the Townſhip of Newtown, in the County of Glouceſter, to repair their 'publick Highways by Hire, and to raiſe Money for that Purpoſe;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from Thomas Lawrence, of Suſſex County, was read, ſetting forth, that at the Time the Contractors' Certificates were liquidated by Mr. Condict, he was an Inhabitant of New-York; that he has in his Poſſeſſion Certificates which ought to have been renewed by the ſaid Mr. Condict; and praying that Meaſures may be taken for the Renewal of his Certificates, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of Meadow 'and Marſh, lying on the South Branch of Dennis's Creek, commonly called 'Mill Creek, in the County of Cape-May, to make and maintain a Bank, Dam, 'Sluices and other neceſſary Waterworks, to ſtop the Tide out of ſaid Creek, 'for the Purpoſe of draining ſaid Marſh,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for fixing and rendering permanent the Salaries 'of the Juſtices of the Supreme Court during the Term of their Commiſſions,' was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The two Petitions from the County of Monmouth, praying a Repeal of the Exciſe Law, paſſed at the laſt Sitting; the Petition from Barnes Smock, Collector of Exciſe in the County of Monmouth, praying that the Exciſe Law may be ſo altered or amended as to do equal Juſtice, and that he may be diſcharged from his Bonds; and the two Petitions from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Middleſex, praying ſome Alteration may be made to the Exciſe Law paſſed at the laſt Seſſion; were read a ſecond Time:

A Motion was made that a Committee be appointed to prepare and preſent a Bill to ſuſpend for one Year the Bill, intitled, 'An Act for laying an Ex-'ciſe on ſundry Articles retailed or conſumed within this State;' whereupon,

A Queſtion aroſe, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Motion? Upon which the previous Queſtion was moved, which being put, it was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Burgin. |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Beardſlee. | | |

A Motion was made that a Committee be appointed to bring in a Bill to ſuſpend the Operation of the Exciſe Law: On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree thereto? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Burgin. |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Cook, | | |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Kitchel, | | |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Starke, | | |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Hankinſon, | | |
| Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Beardſlee. | | |

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Van-Cleve, Cook and Douglaſs, be a Committee to bring in a Bill for the Purpoſe mentioned in the ſaid Report.

His Excellency William Livingſton, and the Honourable David Brearley, William-Churchill Houſton and Jonathan Dayton, Eſquires, Commiſſioners appointed by Joint-Meeting to meet Commiſſioners of the other States in the Union, at the City of Philadelphia, in the Month of May laſt, for the Purpoſe of taking into Conſideration the State of the Union, &c. reported to the Houſe, that, in Purſuance of their Appointment, they met the Commiſſioners of eleven of the other States in the Union at Philadelphia, and thereupon entered upon the Buſineſs of their Appointment.

That the Commiſſioners ſo convened, did, after long and ſerious Deliberation, and with no ſmall Difficulty, finally agree upon a Plan for the Government of the ſaid United States, which, together with the other Acts of the Convention, were by them tranſmitted to the Honourable the Congreſs of the United States, in the Words following:

WE, the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, eſtabliſh Juſtice, enſure domeſtick Tranquility, provide for the common Defence, promote the general Welfare, and ſecure the Bleſſings of Liberty to ourſelves and our Poſterity, do ordain and eſtabliſh this Conſtitution for the United States of America.

## ARTICLE I.

*Sect.* 1. All legiſlative Powers herein granted ſhall be veſted in a Congreſs of the United States, which ſhall conſiſt of a Senate and Houſe of Repreſentatives.

*Sect.* 2. The Houſe of Repreſentatives ſhall be compoſed of Members choſen every ſecond Year by the People of the ſeveral States, and the Electors in each State ſhall have the Qualifications requiſite for Electors of the moſt numerous Branch of the State Legiſlature.

No Perſon ſhall be a Repreſentative who ſhall not have attained to the Age of twenty-five Years, and been ſeven Years a Citizen of the United States, and who ſhall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State in which he ſhall be choſen.

Repreſentatives and direct Taxes ſhall be apportioned among the ſeveral States which may be included within this Union, according to their reſpective Numbers, which ſhall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Perſons, including thoſe bound to Service for a Term of Years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three-fifths of all other Perſons. The actual Enumeration ſhall be made within three Years after the firſt Meeting of the Congreſs of the United States, and within every ſubſequent Term of ten Years, in ſuch Manner as they ſhall by Law direct. The Number of Repreſentatives ſhall not exceed one for every thirty thouſand, but each State ſhall have at leaſt

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one Repreſentative; and until ſuch Enumeration ſhall be made, the State of New-Hampſhire ſhall be entitled to chooſe three, Maſſachuſetts eight, Rhode-Iſland and Providence Plantations one, Connecticut five, New-York ſix, New-Jerſey four, Pennſylvania eight, Delaware one, Maryland ſix, Virginia ten, North-Carolina five, South-Carolina five, and Georgia three.

When Vacancies happen in the Repreſentation from any State, the Executive Authority thereof ſhall iſſue Writs of Election to fill ſuch Vacancies.

The Houſe of Repreſentatives ſhall chooſe their Speaker and other Officers; and ſhall have the ſole Power of Impeachment.

*Sect.* 3. The Senate of the United States ſhall be compoſed of two Senators from each State, choſen by the Legiſlature thereof, for ſix Years; and each Senator ſhall have one Vote.

Immediately after they ſhall be aſſembled in Conſequence of the firſt Election, they ſhall be divided as equally as may be into three Claſſes. The Seats of the Senators of the firſt Claſs ſhall be vacated at the Expiration of the ſecond Year, of the ſecond Claſs at the Expiration of the fourth Year, and of the third Claſs at the Expiration of the ſixth Year, ſo that one Third may be choſen every ſecond Year; and if Vacancies happen by Reſignation, or otherwiſe, during the Receſs of the Legiſlature of any State, the Executive thereof may make temporary Appointments until the next Meeting of the Legiſlature, which ſhall then fill ſuch Vacancies.

No Perſon ſhall be a Senator who ſhall not have attained to the Age of thirty Years, and been nine Years a Citizen of the United States, and who ſhall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State for which he ſhall be choſen.

The Vice-Preſident of the United States ſhall be Preſident of the Senate, but ſhall have no Vote, unleſs they be equally divided.

The Senate ſhall chooſe their other Officers, and alſo a Preſident pro tempore, in the Abſence of the Vice-Preſident, or when he ſhall Exerciſe the Office of Preſident of the United States.

The Senate ſhall have the ſole Power to try all Impeachments. When ſitting for that Purpoſe, they ſhall be on Oath or Affirmation. When the Preſident of the United States is tried, the Chief-Juſtice ſhall preſide: And no Perſon ſhall be convicted without the Concurrence of two Thirds of the Members preſent.

Judgment in Caſes of Impeachment ſhall not extend further than to Removal from Office, and Diſqualification to hold and enjoy any Office of Honour, Truſt or Profit under the United States; but the Party convicted ſhall nevertheleſs be liable and ſubject to Indictment, Trial, Judgment and Puniſhment, according to Law.

*Sect.* 4. The Times, Places and Manner of Holding Elections for Senators and Repreſentatives, ſhall be preſcribed in each State by the Legiſlature thereof; but the Congreſs may at any Time by Law make or alter ſuch Regulations, except as to the Places of chooſing Senators.

The Congreſs ſhall aſſemble at leaſt once in every Year, and ſuch Meeting ſhall be on the firſt Monday in December, unleſs they ſhall by Law appoint a different Day.

*Sect.* 5. Each Houſe ſhall be the Judge of the Elections, Returns and Qualifications of its own Members, and a Majority of each ſhall conſtitute a Quorum to do Buſineſs; but a ſmaller Number may adjourn from Day to Day, and may be authorized to compel the Attendance of abſent Members, in ſuch Manner, and under ſuch Penalties as each Houſe may provide.

Each Houſe may determine the Rules of its Proceedings, puniſh its Members for diſorderly Behaviour, and with the Concurrence of two Thirds expel a Member.

Each Houſe ſhall keep a Journal of its Proceedings, and from Time to Time publiſh the ſame, excepting ſuch Parts as may in their Judgment require Secrecy;

crecy; and the Yeas and Nays of the Members of either Houſe on any Queſtion ſhall, at the Deſire of one Fifth of thoſe preſent, be entered on the Journal.

Neither Houſe, during the Seſſion of Congreſs, ſhall, without the Conſent of the other, adjourn for more than three Days, nor to any other Place than that in which the two Houſes ſhall be ſitting.

*Sect.* 6. The Senators and Repreſentatives ſhall receive a Compenſation for their Services, to be aſcertained by Law, and paid out of the Treaſury of the United States. They ſhall in all Caſes, except Treaſon, Felony and Breach of the Peace, be privileged from Arreſt during their Attendance at the Seſſion of their reſpective Houſes, and in going to and returning from the ſame; and for any Speech or Debate in either Houſe, they ſhall not be queſtioned in any other Place.

No Senator or Repreſentative ſhall, during the Time for which he was elected, be appointed to any civil Office under the Authority of the United States, which ſhall have been created, or the Emoluments whereof ſhall have been encreaſed during ſuch Time; and no Perſon holding any Office under the United States, ſhall be a Member of either Houſe during his Continuance in Office.

*Sect.* 7. All Bills for raiſing Revenue ſhall originate in the Houſe of Repreſentatives; but the Senate may propoſe or concur with Amendments as on other Bills.

Every Bill which ſhall have paſſed the Houſe of Repreſentatives and the Senate, ſhall, before it become a Law, be preſented to the Preſident of the United States; if he approve he ſhall ſign it, but if not he ſhall return it, with his Objections to that Houſe in which it ſhall have originated, who ſhall enter the Objections at Large on their Journal, and proceed to reconſider it. If after ſuch Reconſideration two Thirds of that Houſe ſhall agree to paſs the Bill, it ſhall be ſent, together with the Objections, to the other Houſe, by which it ſhall likewiſe be reconſidered, and if approved by two Thirds of that Houſe, it ſhall become a Law. But in all ſuch Caſes the Votes of both Houſes ſhall be determined by Yeas and Nays, and the Names of the Perſons voting for and againſt the Bill ſhall be entered on the Journal of each Houſe reſpectively. If any Bill ſhall not be returned by the Preſident within ten Days (Sundays excepted) after it ſhall have been preſented to him, the ſame ſhall be a Law, in like Manner as if he had ſigned it, unleſs the Congreſs by their Adjournment prevent its Return, in which Caſe it ſhall not be a Law.

Every Order, Reſolution, or Vote to which the Concurrence of the Senate and Houſe of Repreſentatives may be neceſſary (except on a Queſtion of Adjournment) ſhall be preſented to the Preſident of the United States; and before the ſame ſhall take Effect, ſhall be approved by him, or, being diſapproved by him, ſhall be re-paſſed by two Thirds of the Senate and Houſe of Repreſentatives, according to the Rules and Limitations preſcribed in the Caſe of a Bill.

*Sect.* 8. The Congreſs ſhall have Power

To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Impoſts and Exciſes, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Impoſts and Exciſes ſhall be uniform throughout the United States;

To borrow Money on the Credit of the United States;

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the ſeveral States, and with the Indian Tribes;

To eſtabliſh an uniform Rule of Naturalization, and uniform Laws on the Subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States;

To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Meaſures;

To provide for the Puniſhment of counterfeiting the Securities and current Coin of the United States ;

To eſtabliſh Poſt Offices and Poſt Roads ;

To promote the Progreſs of Science and uſeful Arts, by ſecuring for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the excluſive Right to their reſpective Writings and Diſcoveries ;

To conſtitute Tribunals inferior to the Supreme Court ;

To define and puniſh Piracies and Felonies committed on the high Seas, and Offences againſt the Law of Nations ;

To declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Repriſal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water ;

To raiſe and ſupport Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Uſe ſhall be for a longer Term than two Years ;

To provide and maintain a Navy ;

To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the Land and Naval Forces ;

To provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, ſuppreſs Inſurrections, and repel Invaſions ;

To provide for Organizing, Arming and Diſciplining, the Militia, and for governing ſuch Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reſerving to the States reſpectively the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of Training the Militia according to the Diſcipline preſcribed by Congreſs ;

To exerciſe excluſive Legiſlation in all Caſes whatſoever, over ſuch Diſtrict (not exceeding ten Miles Square) as may, by Ceſſion of particular States, and the Acceptance of Congreſs, become the Seat of the Government of the United States, and to exerciſe like Authority over all Places purchaſed by the Conſent of the Legiſlature of the State in which the ſame ſhall be, for the Erection of Forts, Magazines, Arſenals, Dock-Yards, and other needful Buildings ;—And

To make all Laws which ſhall be neceſſary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers veſted by this Conſtitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

*Sect.* 9. The Migration or Importation of ſuch Perſons as any of the States now exiſting ſhall think proper to admit, ſhall not be prohibited by the Congreſs prior to the Year One Thouſand Eight Hundred and Eight, but a Tax or Duty may be impoſed on ſuch Importation, not exceeding Ten Dollars for each Perſon.

The Privilege of the Writ of Habeas Corpus ſhall not be ſuſpended, unleſs when in Caſes of Rebellion or Invaſion the publick Safety may require it.

No Bill of Attainder or ex poſt facto Law ſhall be paſſed.

No Capitation, or other direct, Tax, ſhall be laid, unleſs in Proportion to the Cenſus or Enumeration herein before directed to be taken.

No Tax or Duty ſhall be laid on Articles exported from any State. No Preference ſhall be given by any Regulation of Commerce or Revenue to the Ports of one State over thoſe of another : Nor ſhall Veſſels bound to, or from, one State, be obliged to enter, clear, or pay Duties in another.

No Money ſhall be drawn from the Treaſury, but in Conſequence of Appropriations made by Law ; and a regular Statement and Account of the Receipts and Expenditures of all publick Money ſhall be publiſhed from Time to Time.

No Title of Nobility ſhall be granted by the United States :—And no Perſon holding any Office of Profit or Truſt under them, ſhall, without the Conſent of the Congreſs, accept of any Preſent, Emolument, Office or Title, of any Kind whatever, from any King, Prince, or foreign State.

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*Sect.* 10. No State ſhall enter into any Treaty, Alliance, or Confederation; grant Letters of Marque and Repriſal; coin Money; emit Bills of Credit; make any Thing but Gold and Silver Coin a Tender in Payment of Debts; paſs any Bill of Attainder, ex poſt facto Law, or Law impairing the Obligation of Contracts, or grant any Title of Nobility.

No State ſhall, without the Conſent of the Congreſs, lay any Impoſts or Duties on Imports or Exports, except what may be abſolutely neceſſary for executing its Inſpection Laws; and the net Produce of all Duties and Impoſts, laid by any State on Imports or Exports, ſhall be for the Uſe of the Treaſury of the United States; and all ſuch Laws ſhall be ſubject to the Reviſion and Control of the Congreſs. No ſtate ſhall, without the Conſent of Congreſs, lay any Duty of Tonnage, keep Troops, or Ships of War in Time of Peace, enter into any Agreement or Compact with another State, or with a foreign Power, or engage in War, unleſs actually invaded, or in ſuch imminent Danger as will not admit of Delay.

## ARTICLE II.

*Sect.* 1. The Executive Power ſhall be veſted in a Preſident of the United States of America. He ſhall hold his Office during the Term of four Years, and, together with the Vice-Preſident, choſen for the ſame Term, be elected as follows:

Each State ſhall appoint, in ſuch Manner as the Legiſlature thereof may direct, a Number of Electors, equal to the whole Number of Senators and Repreſentatives to which the State may be entitled in the Congreſs; but no Senator or Repreſentative, or Perſon holding an Office of Truſt or Profit under the United States, ſhall be appointed an Elector.

The Electors ſhall meet in their reſpective States, and vote by Ballot for two Perſons, of whom one at leaſt ſhall not be an Inhabitant of the ſame State with themſelves. And they ſhall make a Liſt of all the Perſons voted for, and of the Number of Votes for each; which Liſt they ſhall ſign and certify, and tranſmit ſealed to the Seat of the Government of the United States, directed to the Preſident of the Senate. The Preſident of the Senate ſhall, in the Preſence of the Senate and Houſe of Repreſentatives, open all the Certificates, and the Votes ſhall then be counted. The Perſon having the greateſt Number of Votes ſhall be the Preſident, if ſuch Number be a Majority of the whole Number of Electors appointed; and if there be more than one who have ſuch Majority, and have an equal Number of Votes, then the Houſe of Repreſentatives ſhall immediately chooſe by Ballot one of them for Preſident; and if no Perſon have a Majority, then from the five higheſt on the Liſt the ſaid Houſe ſhall in like Manner chooſe the Preſident. But in chooſing the Preſident, the Votes ſhall be taken by States, the Repreſentation from each State having one Vote; a Quorum for this Purpoſe ſhall conſiſt of a Member or Members from two Thirds of the States, and a Majority of all the States ſhall be neceſſary to a Choice. In every Caſe, after the Choice of the Preſident, the Perſon having the greateſt Number of Votes of the Electors ſhall be the Vice-Preſident. But if there ſhould remain two or more who have equal Votes, the Senate ſhall chooſe from them by Ballot the Vice-Preſident.

The Congreſs may determine the Time of chooſing the Electors, and the Day on which they ſhall give their Votes; which Day ſhall be the ſame throughout the United States.

No Perſon except a natural-born Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the Time of the Adoption of this Conſtitution, ſhall be eligible to the Office of Preſident; neither ſhall any Perſon be eligible to that Office who ſhall not have attained to the Age of thirty-five Years, and been fourteen Years a Reſident within the United States.

In caſe of the Removal of the Preſident from Office, or of his Death, Reſignation, or Inability to diſcharge the Powers and Duties of the ſaid Office, the

the ſame ſhall devolve on the Vice-Preſident, and the Congreſs may by Law provide for the Caſe of Removal, Death, Reſignation or Inability, both of the Preſident and Vice-Preſident, declaring what Officer ſhall then act as Preſident, and ſuch Officer ſhall act accordingly, until the Diſability be removed, or a Preſident ſhall be elected.

The Preſident ſhall, at ſtated Times, receive for his Services, a Compenſation, which ſhall neither be encreaſed nor diminiſhed during the Period for which he ſhall have been elected, and he ſhall not receive within that Period any other Emolument from the United States, or any of them.

Before he enter on the Execution of his Office, he ſhall take the following Oath or Affirmation:

'I do ſolemnly ſwear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the Office of 'Preſident of the United States, and will, to the beſt of my Ability, preſerve, 'protect and defend, the Conſtitution of the United States.'

*Sect.* 2. The Preſident ſhall be Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy of the United States, and of the Militia of the ſeveral States, when called into the actual Service of the United States; he may require the Opinion, in Writing, of the principal Officer in each of the executive Departments, upon any Subject relating to the Duties of their reſpective Offices, and he ſhall have Power to grant Reprieves and Pardons for Offences againſt the United States, except in Caſes of Impeachment.

He ſhall have Power, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Senate, to make Treaties, provided two Thirds of the Senators preſent concur; and he ſhall nominate, and by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Senate, ſhall appoint Ambaſſadors, other publick Miniſters and Conſuls, Judges of the Supreme Court, and all other Officers of the United States, whoſe Appointments are not herein otherwiſe provided for, and which ſhall be eſtabliſhed by Law. But the Congreſs may by Law veſt the Appointment of ſuch inferior Officers, as they think proper, in the Preſident alone, in the Courts of Law, or in the Heads of Departments.

The Preſident ſhall have Power to fill up all Vacancies that may happen during the Receſs of the Senate, by granting Commiſſions which ſhall expire at the End of their next Seſſion.

*Sect.* 3. He ſhall from Time to Time give to the Congreſs Information of the State of the Union, and recommend to their Conſideration ſuch Meaſures as he ſhall judge neceſſary and expedient; he may on extraordinary Occaſions, convene both Houſes, or either of them, and in caſe of Diſagreement between them, with Reſpect to the Time of Adjournment, he may adjourn them to ſuch Time as he ſhall think proper; he ſhall receive Ambaſſadors and other publick Miniſters; he ſhall take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed, and ſhall commiſſion all the Officers of the United States.

*Sect.* 4. The Preſident, Vice-Preſident, and all civil Officers of the United States, ſhall be removed from Office on Impeachment for, and Conviction of, Treaſon, Bribery, or other high Crimes and Miſdemeanors.

## ARTICLE III.

*Sect.* 1. The judicial Power of the United States ſhall be veſted in one Supreme Court, and in ſuch Inferior Courts as the Congreſs may from Time to Time ordain and eſtabliſh. The Judges, both of the Supreme and Inferior Courts, ſhall hold their Offices during good Behaviour, and ſhall, at ſtated Times, receive for their Services, a Compenſation, which ſhall not be diminiſhed during their Continuance in Office.

*Sect.* 2. The judicial Power ſhall extend to all Caſes, in Law and Equity, ariſing under this Conſtitution, the Laws of the United States, and Treaties made, or which ſhall be made, under their Authority; to all Caſes affecting Ambaſſadors, other publick Miniſters and Conſuls; to all Caſes of Admiralty and

and Maritime Juriſdiction; to Controverſies to which the United States ſhall be a Party; to Controverſies between two or more States, between a State and Citizens of another State, between Citizens of different States, between Citizens of the ſame State claiming Lands under Grants of different States, and between a State, or the Citizens thereof, and foreign States, Citizens or Subjects.

In all Caſes affecting Ambaſſadors, other publick Miniſters and Conſuls, and thoſe in which a State ſhall be Party, the Supreme Court ſhall have original Juriſdiction. In all the other Caſes before mentioned, the Supreme Court ſhall have appellate Juriſdiction, both as to Law and Fact, with ſuch Exceptions, and under ſuch Regulations as the Congreſs ſhall make.

The Trial of all Crimes, except in Caſes of Impeachment, ſhall be by Jury; and ſuch Trial ſhall be held in the State where the ſaid Crimes ſhall have been committed; but when not committed within any State, the Trial ſhall be at ſuch Place or Places as the Congreſs may by Law have directed.

*Sect.* 3. Treaſon againſt the United States, ſhall conſiſt only in levying War againſt them, or in adhering to their Enemies, giving them Aid and Comfort. No Perſon ſhall be convicted of Treaſon unleſs on the Teſtimony of two Witneſſes to the ſame overt Act, or on Confeſſion in open Court.

The Congreſs ſhall have Power to declare the Puniſhment of Treaſon, but no Attainder of Treaſon ſhall work Corruption of Blood, or Forfeiture, except during the Life of the Perſon attainted.

## ARTICLE IV.

*Sect.* 1. Full Faith and Credit ſhall be given in each State to the publick Acts, Records, and judicial Proceedings of every other State. And the Congreſs may by general Laws preſcribe the Manner in which ſuch Acts, Records and Proceedings ſhall be proved, and the Effect thereof.

*Sect.* 2. The Citizens of each State ſhall be entitled to all Privileges and Immunities of Citizens in the ſeveral States.

A Perſon charged in any State with Treaſon, Felony or other Crime, who ſhall flee from Juſtice, and be found in another State, ſhall, on Demand of the Executive Authority of the State from which he fled, be delivered up, to be removed to the State having Juriſdiction of the Crime.

No Perſon held to Service or Labour in one State, under the Laws thereof, eſcaping into another, ſhall, in Conſequence of any Law or Regulation therein, be diſcharged from ſuch Service or Labour, but ſhall be delivered up on Claim of the Party to whom ſuch Service or Labour may be due.

*Sect.* 3. New States may be admitted by the Congreſs into this Union; but no new State ſhall be formed or erected within the Juriſdiction of any other State; nor any State be formed by the Junction of two or more States, or Parts of States, without the Conſent of the Legiſlatures of the States concerned as well as of the Congreſs.

The Congreſs ſhall have Power to diſpoſe of and make all needful Rules and Regulations reſpecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and Nothing in this Conſtitution ſhall be ſo conſtrued as to prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

*Sect.* 4. The United States ſhall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and ſhall protect each of them againſt Invaſion; and on Application of the Legiſlature, or of the Executive (when the Legiſlature cannot be convened) againſt domeſtick Violence.

## ARTICLE V.

The Congreſs, whenever two Thirds of both Houſes ſhall deem it neceſſary, ſhall propoſe Amendments to this Conſtitution, or, on the Application of the Legiſlatures of two Thirds of the ſeveral States, ſhall call a Convention for propoſing Amendments, which, in either Caſe, ſhall be valid to all Intents and

Purpoſes, as Part of this Conſtitution, when ratified by the Legiſlatures of three Fourths of the ſeveral States, or by Conventions in three Fourths thereof, as the one or the other Mode of Ratification may be propoſed by the Congreſs: Provided, that no Amendment which may be made prior to the Year One Thouſand Eight Hundred and Eight ſhall in any Manner affect the firſt and fourth Clauſes in the ninth Section of the firſt Article; and that no State, without its Conſent, ſhall be deprived of its equal Suffrage in the Senate.

## ARTICLE VI.

All Debts contracted, and Engagements entered into, before the Adoption of this Conſtitution, ſhall be as valid againſt the United States under this Conſtitution, as under the Confederation.

This Conſtitution, and the Laws of the United States which ſhall be made in Purſuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which ſhall be made, under the Authority of the United States, ſhall be the ſupreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State ſhall be bound thereby, any Thing in the Conſtitution or Laws of any State to the contrary notwithſtanding.

The Senators and Repreſentatives before mentioned, and the Members of the ſeveral State Legiſlatures, and all Executive and Judicial Officers, both of the United States and of the ſeveral States, ſhall be bound by Oath or Affirmation, to ſupport this Conſtitution; but no religious Teſt ſhall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or publick Truſt under the United States.

## ARTICLE VII.

The Ratification of the Conventions of nine States, ſhall be ſufficient for the Eſtabliſhment of this Conſtitution between the States ſo ratifying the ſame.

Done in Convention, by the unanimous Conſent of the States preſent, the ſeventeenth Day of September, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Eighty-ſeven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the twelfth. In Witneſs whereof we have hereunto ſubſcribed our Names.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, Preſident,
And Deputy from Virginia.

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| NEW-HAMPSHIRE, | John Langdon,<br>Nicholas Gilman. |
| MASSACHUSETTS, | Nathaniel Gorham,<br>Rufus King. |
| CONNECTICUT, | William-Samuel Johnſon,<br>Roger Sherman. |
| NEW-YORK, | Alexander Hamilton. |
| NEW-JERSEY, | William Livingſton,<br>David Brearley,<br>William Paterſon,<br>Jonathan Dayton. |
| PENNSYLVANIA, | Benjamin Franklin,<br>Thomas Mifflin,<br>Robert Morris,<br>George Clymer,<br>Thomas Fitzſimons,<br>Jared Ingerſoll,<br>James Wilſon,<br>Gouverneur Morris. |

DELAWARE,

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| DELAWARE, | George Read,<br>Gunning Bedford, junior,<br>John Dickinſon,<br>Richard Baſſett,<br>Jacob Broom. |
| MARYLAND, | James M'Henry,<br>Daniel of St. Tho. Jenifer,<br>Daniel Carrol. |
| VIRGINIA, | John Blair,<br>James Madiſon, junior. |
| NORTH-CAROLINA, | William Blount,<br>Richard-Dobbs Spaight,<br>Hugh Williamſon. |
| SOUTH-CAROLINA, | John Rutledge,<br>Charles-Cotesworth Pinckney,<br>Charles Pinckney,<br>Pierce Butler. |
| GEORGIA, | William Few,<br>Abraham Baldwin. |

Atteſt, William Jackſon, Secretary.

IN CONVENTION, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1787.

PRESENT

The States of New-Hampſhire, Maſſachuſetts, Connecticut, Mr. Hamilton from New-York, New-Jerſey, Pennſylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, South-Carolina and Georgia:

*Reſolved*,

THAT the preceding Conſtitution be laid before the United States in Congreſs aſſembled, and that it is the Opinion of this Convention, that it ſhould afterwards be ſubmitted to a Convention of Delegates, choſen in each State by the People thereof, under the Recommendation of its Legiſlature, for their Aſſent and Ratification; and that each Convention aſſenting to, and ratifying the ſame, ſhould give Notice thereof to the United States in Congreſs aſſembled.

*Reſolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Convention, that as ſoon as the Conventions of nine States ſhall have ratified this Conſtitution, the United States in Congreſs aſſembled ſhould fix a Day on which Electors ſhould be appointed by the States which ſhall have ratified the ſame, and a Day on which the Electors ſhould aſſemble to vote for the Preſident, and the Time and Place for commencing Proceedings under this Conſtitution: That after ſuch Publication the Electors ſhould be appointed, and the Senators and Repreſentatives elected: That the Electors ſhould meet on the Day fixed for the Election of the Preſident, and ſhould tranſmit their Votes certified, ſigned, ſealed and directed, as the Conſtitution requires, to the Secretary of the United States in Congreſs aſſembled; that the Senators and Repreſentatives ſhould convene at the Time and Place aſſigned; that the Senators ſhould appoint a Preſident of the Senate, for the ſole Purpoſe of receiving, opening and counting the Votes for Preſident; and that, after he ſhall be choſen, the Congreſs, together with the Preſident, ſhould, without Delay, proceed to execute this Conſtitution.

By the unanimous Order of the Convention,

GEORGE WASHINGTON, Preſident.

WILLIAM JACKSON, Secretary.

IN

IN CONVENTION, SEPTEMBER 17, 1787.

SIR,

WE have now the Honour to submit to the Conſideration of the United States in Congreſs aſſembled, that Conſtitution which has appeared to us the moſt adviſable.

The Friends of our Country have long ſeen and deſired, that the Power of making War, Peace and Treaties, that of levying Money and regulating Commerce, and the correſpondent, executive and judicial Authorities, ſhould be fully and effectually veſted in the general Government of the Union: But the Impropriety of delegating ſuch extenſive Truſt to one Body of Men is evident—Hence reſults the Neceſſity of a different Organization.

It is obviouſly impracticable in the federal Government of theſe States, to ſecure all Rights of independent Sovereignty to each, and yet provide for the Intereſt and Safety of all.—Individuals entering into Society, muſt give up a Share of Liberty to preſerve the Reſt. The Magnitude of the Sacrifice muſt depend as well on Situation and Circumſtance, as on the Object to be obtained. It is at all Times difficult to draw with Preciſion the Line between thoſe Rights which muſt be ſurrendered, and thoſe which may be reſerved; and on the preſent Occaſion this Difficulty was encreaſed by a Difference among the ſeveral States as to their Situation, Extent, Habits, and particular Intereſts.

In all our Deliberations on this Subject we kept ſteadily in our View, that which appears to us the greateſt Intereſt of every true American, the Conſolidation of our Union, in which is involved our Proſperity, Felicity, Safety, perhaps our national Exiſtence. This important Conſideration, ſeriouſly and deeply impreſſed on our Minds, led each State in the Convention to be leſs rigid on Points of inferior Magnitude, than might have been otherwiſe expected; and thus the Conſtitution, which we now preſent, is the Reſult of a Spirit of Amity, and of that mutual Deference and Conceſſion which the Peculiarity of our political Situation rendered indiſpenſible.

That it will meet the full and entire Approbation of every State, is not perhaps to be expected; but each will doubtleſs conſider, that had her Intereſts been alone conſulted, the Conſequences might have been particularly diſagreeable or injurious to others; that it is liable to as few Exceptions as could reaſonably have been expected, we hope and believe; that it may promote the laſting Welfare of that Country ſo dear to us all, and ſecure her Freedom and Happineſs, is our moſt ardent Wiſh.

With great Reſpect,
We have the Honour to be, Sir,
Your Excellency's moſt
Obedient and humble Servants,
GEORGE WASHINGTON, Preſident.
By unanimous Order of the Convention.

His Excellency the Preſident of Congreſs.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Outwater do wait on the Council, and inform them that this Houſe are ready to go into a Joint-Meeting to elect a Governor and other Officers of the State for the enſuing Year, and do propoſe that the Council appoint the Time and Place for Meeting.

Mr. Outwater reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to revive and continue an Act, intitled, An Act 'to empower the Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Newtown, in the County of 'Glouceſter, to repair their publick Highways by Hire, and to raiſe Money 'for that Purpoſe,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

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A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Randolph.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, October 27, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Randolph do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint 'them that the Houſe will be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting on Wed-'neſday next, at three o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of Mr. Witt.'

His Excellency's Meſſage of the 25th Inſtant, with the Papers accompanying the ſame, and the ſeveral Petitions praying that a Convention may be ordered to conſider of the Federal Conſtitution recommended by the late Convention, were read a ſecond Time; whereupon the Houſe came into the following Reſolution, to wit,

Whereas the Commiſſioners from this State have reported a Conſtitution for the future Government of the United States, agreed upon by the General Convention lately held for that Purpoſe, in the City of Philadelphia, accompanied by a Reſolution, that it be ſubmitted to a Convention of Delegates choſen in each State by the People thereof, under the Recommendation of its Legiſlature, for their Aſſent and Ratification: And whereas Congreſs have unanimouſly reſolved, that the ſaid Conſtitution be tranſmitted to the Legiſlatures of the ſeveral States to the Intent aforeſaid; and it appearing to be the earneſt Wiſh of the good People of this State, that early and immediate Meaſures be taken to aſſemble a Convention within the ſame, for the Purpoſe of deliberating and determining on the ſaid Conſtitution;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That it be recommended to ſuch of the Inhabitants of this State as are entitled to vote for Repreſentatives in General Aſſembly, to meet in their reſpective Counties on the fourth Tueſday in November next, at the ſeveral Places fixed by Law for holding the annual Elections, to chooſe three ſuitable Perſons to ſerve as Delegates from each County in a State Convention, for the Purpoſes herein before-mentioned, and that the ſame be conducted agreeably to the Mode, and conformably with the Rules and Regulations preſcribed for conducting ſuch Elections.

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the Perſons ſo elected to ſerve in State Convention, do aſſemble and meet together on the ſecond Tueſday in December next, at Trenton, in the County of Hunterdon, then and there to take into Conſideration the aforeſaid Conſtitution; and if approved of by them, finally to ratify the ſame in Behalf and on the Part of this State; and make Report thereof to the United States in Congreſs aſſembled, in Conformity with the Reſolutions thereto annexed.

*Reſolved*, That the Sheriffs of the reſpective Counties of this State ſhall be, and they are hereby required to give as timely Notice as may be, by Advertiſements to the People of their Counties of the Time, Place and Purpoſe of holding Elections as aforeſaid.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Stillwell do carry the ſaid Reſolutions to Council for Concurrence.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Saturday, October 27, 1787.*

The Houſe met.

The Report of the Commiſſioners appointed to meet Commiſſioners of the other States of the Union, &c. was read a ſecond Time,

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Davenport, Kitchel and Smith, be a Committee to prepare and preſent a Bill to authorize the People of this State to appoint Members to meet in general Convention, with Powers to ratify the Federal Conſtitution, reported by the ſaid Commiſſioners.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to revive and continue an Act, intitled,

'An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Newtown, in the 'County of Glouceſter, to repair their publick Highways by Hire, and to raiſe 'Money for that Purpoſe,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors 'of Meadow and Marſh, lying on the South Branch of Dennis's Creek, com-'monly called Mill Creek, in the County of Cape-May, to make and maintain 'a Bank, Dam, Sluice and other Waterworks, to ſtop the Tide out of ſaid 'Creek, for the Purpoſe of draining ſaid Marſh,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſaid Bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Garritſe do carry the ſaid Bills to the Council for their Concurrence.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for altering the Time of holding the annual 'Town-Meetings in the Townſhip of Amwell, in the County of Hunterdon,' was read a ſecond Time, amended, and ordered to be engroſſed.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of this State, praying, for Reaſons therein ſet forth, that the Act for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors may be repealed, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Davenport, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize the People of this State 'to meet in Convention, deliberate upon, agree to, and ratify the Conſtitution 'for the United States, propoſed by the late General Convention;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Garritſe reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Houſe adjourned till Monday Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Monday, October* 29, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Stillwell reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Two Petitions from a Number of Inhabitants of the County of Monmouth, ſetting forth illegal Proceedings at their late annual Election in the Choice of their Sheriff, and praying that the ſaid Election, as far as relates to the Appointment of the Sheriff of ſaid County, may be ſet aſide, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Several Petitions from a Number of Inhabitants of the County of Hunterdon were read, praying a Law may be paſſed to authorize the People thereof to meet in Townſhips, and fix by Vote upon a proper and ſuitable Place in the ſaid County for the Building of a new Courthouſe and Gaol, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading with the others of the ſame Nature, read on the 25th Inſtant.

The Speaker laid before the Houſe a Meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, accompanied with the following official Papers received ſince the laſt Sitting.

No. 1. 3 May, 1787. Act of Congreſs repealing the Requiſition of the 3d October, 1787.

No. 2. 7 May, 1787. An Ordinance of Congreſs for ſettling the Accounts between the United States and individual States.

No. 3. Extracts of Letters from the Honourable John Adams, Miniſter Plenipotentiary of the United States at the Court of London, to the Honourable John Jay, Secretary for foreign Affairs.

No. 4.

No. 4. 3 July, 1787. Circular Letter from the Secretary for foreign Affairs accompanying the ſame.

No. 5. 12 July, 1787. An Act of Congreſs relative to thoſe Officers who may be entitled to Penſions.

No. 6. 13 July, 1787. Ordinance of Congreſs for the Government of the Territory of the United States Northweſt of the River Ohio.

No. 7. 18 July, 1787. The Ratification by Congreſs of the Treaty with the Emperor of Morocco.

No. 8. 23 July, 1787. Reſolution of Congreſs reſpecting unliquidated Claims againſt the United States, and limiting the true Time for making the ſame.

No. 9. 10 Auguſt, 1787. Circular Letter from Mr. Secretary Thomſon accompanying a State of the Repreſentation in Congreſs for the Month of July.

No. 10. 28 Sept. 1787. Act of Congreſs touching the Exemption of foreign Conſuls from Impoſts and Duties on certain Merchandize.

No. 10. a. 3 Oct. 1787. Act of Congreſs for keeping up a Body of ſeven hundred Troops.

No. 11. 11 Oct. 1787. Requiſition of Congreſs for the Year 1787.

No. 12. 13 Oct. 1787. Reſolution of Congreſs touching the Grant of Favours to foreign Nations.

No. 13. Journal of Congreſs from the 10th May to the 25th September, 1787.

No. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, State of the Repreſentation in Congreſs in the Months of April, May, June, July, Auguſt and September, 1787.

The Paper in the foregoing Liſt marked No. 10 a, and the Paper marked No. 11, were read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Paper in the foregoing Liſt marked No. 5, was read and committed to Meſſrs. Dayton and Sinnickſon to report thereon to the Houſe.

The ſeveral other Papers therein mentioned were read, and ordered to be filed.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Chriſtopher Longſtreet, Eſquire, attended the Houſe, and produced the Certificate of his Election, which was read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly ſworn by the Speaker, he took his Seat in the Houſe, and having rendered an Excuſe for his Non-Attendance before this Time,

*Reſolved*, That the ſame is ſatisfactory.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act for altering the Time of holding the 'annual Town-Meetings in the Townſhip of Amwell, in the County of Hun-'terdon, was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Clark, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Burgin. |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Cook, | |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Kitchel, | |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Starke, | |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Hankinſon, | |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Beardſlee. | |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. E. Townſend, | | |

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſaid Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Bunn do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Bunn reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Van-Cleve, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to ſuſpend the Operation of an Act, intitled, An Act for laying an Exciſe on ſundry Articles retailed or conſumed within this State;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Holmes.

'Council-Chamber, October 29, 1787.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Reſolutions from the Houſe of Aſſembly, relative to recommending to the Inhabitants of this State to chooſe Delegates to meet in Convention, for the Purpoſe of taking into Conſideration the Federal Conſtitution, &c.

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do unanimouſly concur therein.'

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Holmes do carry to the Houſe of Aſſembly the Bill, intitled, "An Act to amend the fifth Section of an Act, intitled, An Act to raiſe "the Sum of Twelve Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds per Annum, for the "Term of twenty-two Years, for the Purpoſe of paying the Intereſt on the "Debts due from this State to the Inhabitants thereof, paſſed June ſeventh, "Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-ſeven," and requeſt their Concurrence therein.'

The two Petitions from a Number of Inhabitants of the County of Monmouth read this Morning, was read a ſecond Time; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to appear before the Houſe on Friday next, at ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, with their Evidences to ſupport the Facts ſet forth in their Petition, and that they ſerve the Judge, and at leaſt three of the Inſpectors of the Election, with a Copy of this Order on Wedneſday next.

A Petition from Rachel Wells, praying that the Intereſt due her on Loan-Office Certificates may be paid her by this State, notwithſtanding ſhe removed a ſhort Time out of the State, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize the People of this State to meet in Convention, deliberate upon, agree to, and ratify the Conſtitution for the United States, propoſed by the late General Convention,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

Mr. Douglaſs, from the Committee appointed to report their Opinion on the Petition of Joſeph Borden, Eſquire, reported as follows:

THAT, in the Opinion of your Committee, the Sum of Four Thouſand Continental Dollars, being the Balance of a certain Sum of Money remaining in the Hands of ſaid Joſeph Borden, which he was authorized to borrow on Loan for the Purpoſe of paying off Recruits, agreeably to an Act of the Legiſlature, paſſed 3d April Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-eight, ought not to

to be payable in State Securities, in Diſcharge of a Judgment obtained againſt him in Behalf of this State.

By Order of the Committee,
JAMES DOUGLASS.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Tueſday, October* 30, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Peter Wilſon and Adam Boyd, Eſquires, appeared in the Houſe, and produced the reſpective Certificates of their Election, which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly ſworn by the Speaker, they took their Seats, and having rendered to the Houſe an Excuſe for their Non-Attendance,

*Reſolved*, That the ſame is ſatisfactory.

On Motion,

*Reſolved*, That Iſaac Collins be directed to print or ſtrike off 500 Copies of the Reſolutions of the Legiſlature of October 29, 1787, recommending to the People of the State to meet by their Delegates in Convention for the Purpoſes of taking into Conſideration the Conſtitution of the Federal Government, propoſed by the late General Convention.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Biddle do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Davenport, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal an Act, intitled, An Act to 'amend, revive and continue an Act, intitled, An Act for the Relief of In-'ſolvent Debtors; and alſo one other intitled, An Act for the Relief of Poor 'and Inſolvent Debtors;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Motion was made by Mr. Smith, ſeconded by Mr. Sinnickſon, for Leave to preſent a Bill, intitled, 'An additional Supplement to the Act, intitled, An 'Act for ſtriking and making current One Hundred Thouſand Pounds in Bills 'of Credit,' &c. On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to receive the ſame? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Blair, |
| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Kelly, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Houghton, |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Combs, | Mr. Cook, |
| Mr. Smith, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Kitchel, |
| Mr. Jones, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Starke, |
| Mr. Clark, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Hankinſon, |
| Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Sheppard, | Mr. Little, | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Longſtreet. |
| Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Speaker. | Mr. Bunn, | |

Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be read a ſecond Time.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize the People of this State 'to meet in Convention, to deliberate upon, agree to, and ratify the Conſtitution 'for the United States, propoſed by the late General Convention,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Clark do carry the ſaid Bill to Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Biddle reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Martin.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, October 30, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Martin do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of "Meadow and Marſh, lying on the South Branch of Dennis's Creek, commonly called Mill Creek, in the County of Cape-May, to make and maintain a "Bank, Dam, Sluice and other neceſſary Waterworks, to ſtop the Tide out of "the ſaid Creek, for the Purpoſe of draining ſaid Marſh;" and the Bill, intitled, "An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Newtown, in the "County of Glouceſter, to repair their Highways by Hire, and to raiſe Money for that Purpoſe," are paſſed by this Houſe without Amendment.'

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Reſolution from the 'Houſe of Aſſembly, relative to directing Iſaac Collins, Printer, to ſtrike 'off 500 Copies of the Reſolutions recommending to the Inhabitants of this 'State to chooſe Delegates to meet in Convention, for the Purpoſe of taking 'into Conſideration the Federal Conſtitution, &c.

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do concur therein.'

The Petition from Benjamin Morgan, read on the 25th Inſtant, was read a ſecond Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Clark reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

The Houſe took into Conſideration the Report of Mr. Douglaſs of Yeſterday, on the Petitions of Joſeph Borden, Eſquire: On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Report? It was carried in the Negative; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Borden have Leave to preſent to the Houſe a Reſolution to anſwer the Prayer of his Petition preſented on the 10th November laſt.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to ſuſpend the Operation of an Act, intitled, 'An Act for laying an Exciſe on ſundry Articles retailed or conſumed within 'this State,' was read a ſecond Time:

An Amendment was moved by Mr. Sinnickſon, ſeconded by Mr. Cooper, to the Bill to ſtrike out the Words 'ſuſpend the Operation of,' and inſert 'repeal,' in the ſaid Title; on the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree thereto? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Burgin. |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Longſtreet. | | |

The Houſe having gone through the ſaid Bill and amended the ſame,

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be engroſſed.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

*Wedneſday*,

*Wednesday, October* 31, 1787.

The House met.

A Petition from the Minister, Elders and Deacons, of the reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Orange, in the County of Orange, in the State of New-York, was read, praying that, as they hold Property within this State, a Charter of Incorporation may be passed by the Legislature for the Benefit of the said Congregation;

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition.

A Petition from John Zabriskie, of the County of Bergen, setting forth, that there were Monies due him from sundry Inhabitants of this State before he went into the Enemy's Lines, which have not yet been paid; and praying Leave to present a Bill to authorize him to recover the same; and also to allow him to pay to the Treasurer the Amount thereof in publick Securities;

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be read a second Time.

A Petition from John A. Hopper and John Hopper, of the County of Bergen, was read, praying Compensation from the State for Property of theirs burned by the British Troops during the late War;

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of Bergen, setting forth, that they have State Notes which ought to have been liquidated by Silas Condict; and praying that Mr. Condict may be authorized to renew their Certificates; whereupon the Report of Silas Condict, Esquire, made to this House was read,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition and Report be committed to Messrs. Wilson and Douglass, to report thereon to the House.

A Petition from the Founders of the Academy at Hackinsack, in the Precinct of New-Barbados, praying Leave to present a Bill to incorporate that Seminary, was read,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to present a Bill agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition, on advertising the Purport of the Bill they mean to present, with a Copy of this Order, in one of the News-Papers of New-York, and also in one of the News-Papers of this State, three Weeks previous thereto.

A Petition from the Marquis de Chappedelaine, and a Petition of James-Homer Maxwell, praying Leave to present a Bill of Naturalization, they having been heretofore Subjects of foreign Powers, were read,

*Ordered*, That they have Leave to present a Bill agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to suspend the Operation of an Act, 'intitled, An Act for laying an Excise on sundry Articles retailed or consumed 'within this State,' was read and compared,

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Sinnickson do carry the said Bill to Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Sinnickson reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Van-Cleve, with Leave, presented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An 'Act to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of the Government of 'New-Jersey for one Year, to commence the twelfth Day of October, Seven-'teen Hundred and Eighty-seven, and to end the twelfth Day of October, Se-'venteen Hundred and Eighty-eight;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

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The Bill, intitled, 'A third Supplement to the Act, intitled, An Act for 'raiſing a Revenue of Thirty-one Thouſand Two Hundred and Fifty-nine 'Pounds Five Shillings per Annum, for the Term of twenty-five Years, for 'the Purpoſe of paying the Intereſt and Principal of Debts due from the United 'States, agreeably to a Recommendation of Congreſs of the eighteenth Day of 'April, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Eighty-three, and for appropriating 'the ſame,' was read; whereupon the Petition of Rachel Wells, read on the 29th Ultimo, was read a ſecond Time;

*Ordered*, That the ſame be committed to Meſſrs. Wilſon, Douglaſs and Boyd.

The Bill, intitled, 'An additional Supplement to an Act, intitled, An Act 'for ſtriking and making current One Hundred Thouſand Pounds in Bills of 'Credit,' &c. was read a ſecond Time;

An Amendment was moved by Mr. Davenport, ſeconded by Mr. Cooper, to ſtrike off the ſaid Title of the ſaid Bill, and inſert the following, 'An 'Act to authorize and direct the Commiſſioners of the ſeveral Loan-Offices in 'this State, to pay into the Treaſury ſuch Sum or Sums of Money as may be 'received by them in Diſcharge of the Principal loaned on Mortgages, taken 'agreeably to an Act, intitled, An Act for ſtriking and making current One Hun-'dred Thouſand Pounds, &c. and to provide for cancelling and burning the ſame.'

To which an Amendment was moved by Mr. Van-Cleve, ſeconded by Mr. Wilſon, that the Title of the ſaid Bill read as follows: 'An Act to authorize 'and direct the Commiſſioners of the ſeveral Loan-Offices in this State to pay 'certain Monies into the Treaſury:' On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Amendment? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Burgin, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Kitchel, | | |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Starke, | | |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Hankinſon, | | |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Beardſlee. | | |
| Mr. Rogers, | | | |

*Ordered*, That the further Conſideration of the ſaid Bill be poſtponed.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

The Members withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; and, being returned, the Speaker reſumed the Chair, and then the Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Thurſday, November* 1, 1787.

The Houſe met.

A Petition from Court Williamſon, of the County of Somerſet, ſetting forth, that he has State Notes which ought to have been liquidated by Silas Condict, Eſquire, and praying that Mr. Condict may be authorized to renew his Certificate, was read, and committed to Meſſrs. Wilſon and Douglaſs, to whom was committed the Report of Mr. Condict.

Mr. Dayton, with Leave, and in Behalf of the Petitioner, preſented the Draught

Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to naturalize certain Perſons therein mentioned;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Wilſon, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intitled, 'A third Supplement to the Act, intitled, An Act for raiſing a Revenue of Thirty-one Thouſand Two Hundred and Fifty-nine Pounds Five Shillings per Annum, for the Term of twenty-five Years, for the Purpoſe of paying the Intereſt and Principal of Debts due from the United States, agreeably to a Recommendation of Congreſs of the eighteenth Day of April, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Eighty-three, and for appropriating the ſame,' reported the ſame with ſundry Amendments, and the following Title: 'An Act to extend and explain the Proviſions already made by Law for the Payment of Intereſt on certain Certificates;' which being further amended in the Houſe, was ordered to be engroſſed.

On Motion,

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be, and he hereby is directed to receive from Joſeph Borden, Eſquire, late Paymaſter of Bounty Money for the County of Burlington, in any of the publick Securities of this State, the Sum of Three Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Six-pence, being the Amount of a Judgment recovered againſt him at the Suit of the Treaſurer, on Behalf of the State, in the Supreme Court, of the Term of September, Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-ſix, with Intereſt from the twelfth Day of September aforeſaid; and that upon the ſaid Joſeph Borden, his paying or diſcharging all Coſts of Suit upon the ſaid Proſecution againſt him, he be, and hereby is fully releaſed and acquitted from the ſaid Judgment.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Whilden do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Van-Cleve, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of Council to confer with the Auditor on the Subject of his Letter of the 24th Ultimo, reported as follows:

THAT, in the Opinion of your Committee, it will be improper for the Legiſlature to give any Inſtructions to their Auditor which may Claſh with the Reſolutions of Congreſs, relative to the general Settlement of the publick Accounts, where the Duties of the Commiſſioner on the Part of the United States are by the Reſolutions clearly defined; but would recommend to the Auditor, when any Caſe ſhall ariſe in the ſaid Settlement, in which Injuſtice may be done to the State, by adhering to their general Directions, particularly to note thoſe Caſes, and to preſerve all the Evidences which may be neceſſary to eſtabliſh the Equity of the State Claim, in order that the ſame may be laid before the General Board of Commiſſioners, to the End that Juſtice finally may be done.

Your Committee are further of Opinion, that all Vouchers in the Hands of Mr. Stevens late Treaſurer, and of Mr. Mott the preſent Treaſurer, which are neceſſary to ſupport any Charge againſt the United States, ſhould be delivered to the Auditor for this Purpoſe, he giving them Receipts reſpectively for the ſame.

That in the ſpecific Supplies of Cattle furniſhed by the Contractors, where the Weight has not been aſcertained, they can recommend no better Method at coming at the Truth than by averaging the Weight of the Number of Cattle not weighed with the ſame Number which have been weighed.

And they are further of Opinion, that it is neceſſary to make Proviſion for another Clerk to aſſiſt the Auditor in bringing forward the publick Accounts in Time for Settlement.

By Order of the Committee,
ABRAHAM KITCHEL,
BENJAMIN VAN-CLEVE.

To which Report the Houſe agreed.

Mr. Whilden reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to provide for the Payment of the ſeveral Officers of the Government of New-Jerſey for one Year, to commence the twelfth Day of October Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-ſeven, and to end the twelfth Day of October Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-eight,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

Mr. Sinnickſon, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of certain Meadows and Tide Marſh, lying on Salem Creek, in the Townſhip of Mannington, in the County of Salem, to make and maintain a Bank, Dams, and other Waterworks, in order to drain and prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſame;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Sinnickſon, agreeably to Leave given at the laſt Sitting, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable Sarah Hill, Executrix, and William Robinſon, Executor of the Teſtament and Laſt Will of Moſes Hill, deceaſed, to make a Title to a Lot of Meadow, ſold by the ſaid Moſes Hill in his Lifetime to Matthias Lambſon;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading at the next Sitting.

Mr. Biddle, from the Committee appointed to examine what Laws have expired or are near expiring, reported as follows:

THAT they have examined the Laws of the State, and find that the Act, intitled, 'An Act for the Preſervation of Oyſters in the Colony of New-Jerſey,' expired the 11th Day of February, 1780.

The Act, intitled, 'An Act to prevent Rams running at Large at certain Seaſons of the Year,' expired the 6th Day of December, 1778.

The Act, intitled, 'An Act to veſt the Profits of the Ferry from Burlington to Briſtol in the Inhabitants of the Town of Burlington, and to prevent Horſes running at Large on the Commons of the ſaid Town,' expired the 17th Day of June, 1787.

By Order of the Committee,
JOSEPH BIDDLE.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Amwell, praying that ſome Proviſion may be made for the Relief of the Widow and Family of Alexander Thompſon, deceaſed, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day being called for, and the Houſe being informed that the Parties in Oppoſition to the Bill preſented to this Houſe at the laſt Sitting had agreed to the Bill; whereupon,

Mr. Sinnickſon, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of certain Marſh, Meadow and Swamp, ſituate on Salem, alias Hollybourn, Creek, Keaſby's and Mill Creeks, in the County of Salem, and State of New-Jerſey, to keep up and maintain the Banks, Dams, Sluices and other Waterworks, neceſſary to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſame;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from Daniel Smith, of the County of Bergen, was read, praying a Law may paſs to direct a Road opened according to a Return made of a Road on Bergen Point, leading to Kill Van Kull, along Newark Bay, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal one certain Act, intitled, An Act to amend, revive and continue an Act, intitled, An Act for the Relief of Inſolvent

'ſolvent Debtors, and alſo one other intitled, An Act for the Relief of Poor 'and Inſolvent Debtors,' was read a ſecond Time, and the Title amended to read as follows: 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned, for the 'Relief of Inſolvent Debtors;' and, being further amended in the Houſe,

A Motion was made to refer the ſaid Bill to the next Sitting; on the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Motion? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Combs, | Mr. Houghton, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Anderſon, |
| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Cook, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Kitchel, |
| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Starke, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Hankinſon, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Longſtreet. |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Sheppard, | | |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Burgin, | | |
| Mr. Smith, | | | |

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be engroſſed.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Ellis.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, November 1, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Ellis do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that a Bill, intitled, "An Act to authorize the People of this State to "meet in Convention, to deliberate upon, agree to, and ratify the Conſtitution "for the United States, propoſed by the late General Convention,' is paſſed by 'this Houſe without Amendment.'

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Ellis do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that the Bill, intitled, "An Act for altering the Time of holding the an-"nual Town-Meetings in the Townſhip of Amwell, in the County of Hun-"terdon," is rejected by this Houſe.'

The Houſe reſumed the Conſideration of the Bill, intitled, 'An Act to au-'thorize and direct the Commiſſioners of the ſeveral Loan-Offices in this State 'to pay certain Monies into the Treaſury; on the Queſtion, Whether the 'Houſe agree to the firſt Part of the firſt Section, which is in the following Words, to wit,

'*Be it Enacted*, &c. That all Principal Sums which ſhall be paid to the Com-'miſſioners of the Loan-Office, after the Paſſing of this Act, ſhall not be re-'loaned, but ſhall be by the ſaid Commiſſioners immediately paid into the Trea-'ſury of this State,' and being put? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Combs, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Bonney, |
| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Little, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Blair, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Kelly, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Sheppard, | Mr. Houghton, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Burgin. | Mr. Cook, |
| Mr. Bunn, | | | Mr. Kitchel, |
| | | | Mr. Starke, |
| | | | Mr. Hankinſon, |
| | | | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| | | | Mr. Longſtreet. |

A Motion was made by Mr. Dayton, ſeconded by Mr. Van-Cleve, to ſtrike out the following Words, being the Remainder of the firſt Section of the ſaid Bill, to wit,

'Who is hereby directed to lay the ſame, together with ſuch Bills of 'Credit as ſhall be paid for Intereſt on the ſaid Loan, before the Legiſlature 'at their next Meeting thereafter, to be by Committees of both Houſes exa-'mined, burnt and deſtroyed,' and inſert in Lieu thereof the following Words, to wit, 'there to be held ſubject to the future Orders of the Legiſlature;' on the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Motion? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Biddle | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Boyd, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Outwater, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Garritſe, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Dayton, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Wade, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Van-Cleve, |
| Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Beardſlee. | Mr. Houghton, |
| | | | Mr. Anderſon, |
| | | | Mr. Cook, |
| | | | Mr. Kitchel, |
| | | | Mr. Sheppard, |
| | | | Mr. Longſtreet. |

On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid ſecond Part of the firſt Section of the ſaid Bill? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Cooper, | |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Hankinſon, | | |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Beardſlee, | | |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Longſtreet. | | |

On the Queſtion, Whether the ſaid Bill be engroſſed? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Smith, | Mr, E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Van-Cleve, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Anderſon, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Burgin. |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Hall, | |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Longſtreet. | | |
| Mr. Rogers, | | | |

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill do lie on the Table.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Tenants in Poſſeſſion 'of the Meadow Ground lying on the lower Side of Alloway's Creek, in the 'County

'County of Salem, between the faſt Land of William Hancock and Joſeph 'Stretch, both deceaſed, and extending back from the ſaid Creek to a Bank 'called Moore's Bank, running from a Point of Land of ſaid Hancock to a 'Point of Mary Moore's Land, to rebuild, repair and maintain the Banks, 'Dams, Sluices and other Works thereof, to prevent the Tide from overflowing 'the ſame, and to repeal two certain Acts herein mentioned,' was read; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Parties in Favour of and againſt paſſing the ſaid Bill be heard before the Houſe on the Propriety or Impropriety of paſſing the ſame, on the ſecond Tueſday of the next Sitting; and that the Petitioners for the ſaid Bill give Notice to the Perſons who oppoſe the Paſſing of the ſame of this Order three Weeks previous to the ſaid Day.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Friday, November* 2, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Wilſon, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition from the County of Bergen, read on Wedneſday laſt, and the Report of Silas Condict, reported the following Reſolutions:

Whereas it is repreſented to the Legiſlature that ſundry Perſons have, on various Accounts, been prevented from laying their Certificates and Vouchers for Liquidation before the late Commiſſioner Silas Condict, Eſquire, within the Time limited by Law;

*Reſolved*, That James Mott, Eſquire, Treaſurer of the State, be authorized and empowered to receive and liquidate all ſuch proper Certificates and Vouchers as may be laid before him on or before the firſt Day of January next, and to iſſue State Notes to the Holders, in Manner directed in the Act, intitled, 'An Act to call in all Contractors and Surplus Certificates, to iſſue State 'Notes to the Holders, and to procure a more accurate Eſtimate of the State 'Debt,' and in the Act to revive certain Parts of the ſame; and that the ſaid Treaſurer do procure from the Auditor's Office a ſufficient Number of blank Notes for the Purpoſes in this Reſolution mentioned; and that he deliver into ſaid Office a State of the Notes by him iſſued, their Amount, together with the Margins, blank Notes, Certificates and Vouchers, in his Hands at the Expiration of the aforeſaid Term, that the Auditor may be enabled to bring forward to Settlement ſuch Part of the ſaid Accounts as may be chargeable againſt the United States.

*Reſolved*, That the ſaid Treaſurer do publiſh in each of the publick News-Papers in this State, the Purport of the aforeſaid Reſolution, immediately after the Paſſing of the ſame; and that he lay an Account of the Expence thereby incurred before the Legiſlature at their next Sitting for Allowance and Payment.

*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Reſolutions to the Council for their Concurrence.

The Speaker laid before the Houſe a Letter from the Treaſurer, accompanied with a Statement of the Arrearges of Continental Taxes againſt the ſeveral Counties, and praying the Directions of the Houſe with Reſpect to the Demand of this State againſt the United States for Monies paid to Invalids, which was read, and committed to Meſſrs. Dayton and Smith.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein 'mentioned, for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Anderſon, |
| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Kitchel, |
| Mr. Dayton, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Starke, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Hankinſon, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Longſtreet. |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Houghton, | |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. E. Townſend, | | |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. R. Townſend, | | |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Sheppard, | | |
| Mr. Smith, | Mr. Burgin. | | |

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to provide for the Payment of the ſeveral Officers of the Government of New-Jerſey for one Year, to commence the twelfth Day of October Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-ſeven, and to end the twelfth Day of October Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-eight,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to extend and explain the Proviſions already made by Law for the Payment of Intereſt on certain Certificates,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſaid Bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Van-Cleve do carry the ſaid Bills to Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to naturalize certain Perſons therein mentioned,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to amend the fifth Section of an Act, intitled, 'An Act to raiſe the Sum of Twelve Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds per Annum, for the Term of twenty-two Years, for the Purpoſe of paying the Intereſt on the Debts due from this State to the Inhabitants thereof, paſſed June ſeventh, Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-ſeven,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and amended in the Houſe.

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill with the Amendments be read a third Time.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Mayhew.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, November 2, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Mayhew do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to ſuſpend the Operation of an Act, "intitled, An Act for laying an Exciſe on ſundry Articles retailed or conſumed within this State," is paſſed by this Houſe.'

Mr. Dayton, from the Committee to whom was referred the Reſolution of Congreſs of the 12th of July, relating to the Penſions due to diſabled Officers, reported as follows:

THAT, in the Opinion of your Committee, it will be neceſſary, in the future Payment of ſuch Penſions, to obſerve the Conditions pointed out and required in the aforeſaid Reſolution of Congreſs of the 12th of July laſt, in Addition to thoſe already preſcribed in the exiſting Laws of the Legiſlature upon that Subject.

That, under this Conviction, your Committee have draughted the Form of a Reſolution for that Purpoſe, which they herewith ſubmit to the Conſideration and Deciſion of the Houſe.

JONATHAN DAYTON,
THOMAS SINNICKSON.

*Reſolved*,

*Reſolved*, That, previouſly to the Payment of any Monies for Penſions to Officers in the Line of the late Army who may be entitled thereto, the Treaſurer be directed in Future to require from ſuch Officers a Certificate from the Commiſſioner of Army Accounts, purporting that no Balance is due from the Claimant to the United States.

To which the Houſe agreed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for their Concurrence.

Agreeably to the Order of the Day on the Petition from the County of Monmouth, the Petitioners appeared before the Houſe with their Evidences to prove certain illegal Proceedings alleged to have been had at the late annual Election in the ſaid County of Monmouth; and the Judge and Inſpectors of the Election attending, the Houſe went into the Examination of Witneſſes; on the Queſtion, Whether the Charges are ſufficiently ſupported to vacate the Election? It was carried in the Negative unanimouſly; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petitions do lie on the Table.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Eldredge.

'Council-Chamber, November 2, 1787.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Reſolution of the Houſe 'of Aſſembly, relative to directing the Treaſurer to receive from Joſeph 'Borden, Eſquire, in publick Securities of the State, the Sum of £. 351 11 6, 'in Diſcharge of a Judgment obtained againſt him at the Suit of the State, &c.

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do concur therein.'

On Motion,

*Reſolved*, That ſhould the Speaker deem it neceſſary to ſummon the General Aſſembly to meet again during the preſent Seſſion, he convene them at Trenton, in the County of Hunterdon.

Mr. Van-Cleve reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Saturday, November 3, 1787.*

The Houſe met.

Mr. R. S. Smith, from the Committee to whom was referred the Treaſurer's Letter of Yeſterday, reported as follows:

THAT, in their Opinion, the State Money ſhould be received by the Treaſurer for the Arrearages of Taxes in all future Payments at the Rate of three for one.

By Order of the Committee,
RICHARD S. SMITH.

To which the Houſe agreed.

The Speaker laid before the Houſe a Bond given by James Mott, Eſquire, Treaſurer, in the Sum of Twenty Thouſand Pounds, with Sureties for the faithful Diſcharge of his Office.

*Reſolved*, That the ſame is ſatisfactory to this Houſe.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Bond and Reſolution to the Council for their Concurrence.

A Petition from Elizabeth Horton, Widow of Doctor Jonathan Horton, praying that the Monies due her on a Warrant iſſued for her late Huſband's Half-pay, to the Time it was revoked, may be paid her by the Treaſurer;

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petition do lie on the Table.

*Reſolved*, That James Ewing and Samuel Tucker, Eſquires, be, and they are hereby appointed to inſpect and burn the Bills of Credit that have been iſſued on the

the Faith of this State, agreeably to the Act, intitled, 'An Act for eſtabliſhing 'a Fund for ſinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of 'the United States, aſſigned as the Quota of this State,' and the Act, intitled, 'An Act for ſtriking the Sum of Thirty Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit 'of the Denomination of Seven Shillings and Six-pence and under, and di-'recting the Mode for redeeming the ſame,' which may now be in the Treaſury of this State, or that ſhall be there received within one Year; and that the ſaid James Ewing and Samuel Tucker do lay an Account of the Number and Denomination of the Bills which they may inſpect and burn as herein directed before the Legiſlature at their next Seſſion.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—

On Account of Tax for raiſing £. 100,000 State Money—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the laſt Settlement by the County of | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Salem, | | £. 166 14 10 |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—

On Account of Tax for raiſing £. 50,000 State—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the laſt Settlement by the Counties of | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Burlington, | £. 4590 11 3¾ | |
| Suſſex, | 578 19 7¾ | |
| | £. 5169 10 11 | |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—

On Account of Tax for raiſing £. 7500 Specie,—

| To Deficiency not paid in on the laſt Settlement by the County of | Specie. |
|---|---|
| Suſſex, | £. 473 15 3 |

A Petition from Frederick King, of the County of Morris, praying a Law may pass to relieve him from the Payment of a Sum of publick Money by him collected, and which was robbed from him in the Year 1778, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition from Zachariah Price, of the County of Suſſex, was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

Mr. Van-Cleve, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, An 'Act for raiſing the Sum of for the Support of Government, 'and other contingent Expences thereof;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Sheppard, from the Committee appointed to ſettle the Accounts of the Treaſurer of this State, reported a State of the ſame as follows:

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—and Certificates, and £. 7500 Specie, due September 10, 1781.

| | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the County of Salem, | | £. 166 14 10 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH.
JOHN SHEPPARD.

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—Money and Certificates, due December 1, 1781.

| | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the Counties of Burlington, | £. 4590 11 3¼ | |
| Suſſex, | 578 19 7¼ | |
| | £. 5169 10 11 | |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—for Support of Government, due April 1, 1782.

| | Specie. |
|---|---|
| By Deficiency not yet paid in by the County of Suſſex, | £. 473 15 3 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

DR. JAMES MOTT, Treasurer to—

On Account of Tax for raising £. 50,000 State Money—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the last Settlement by the Counties of | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Essex, | | £. 23 1 1 |
| Burlington, | | 713 14 3 |
| Sussex, | £. 1317 17 3¼ | 1405 5 2¼ |
| | £. 1317 17 3¼ | £. 2142 0 6¼ |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treasurer to—

On Account of Tax for raising £. 50,000 State Money and—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the last Settlement by the Counties of | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Essex, | | £. 839 15 9 |
| Monmouth, | £. 2005 9 8¼ | |
| Burlington, | 304 17 7 | 2433 10 6½ |
| Salem, | | 38 8 6 |
| Cape-May, | 92 1 0 | |
| Hunterdon, | 1208 1 2 | |
| Morris, | 1652 1 10½ | |
| Cumberland, | 298 12 1½ | |
| Sussex, | 1090 12 5 | 1948 6 7 |
| | £. 6651 15 10¾ | £. 5260 1 4½ |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treasurer to—

On Account of Tax for raising £. 7500, Specie,—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the last Settlement by the Counties of | | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Essex, | £. 53 0 9½ | |
| To the Sum ordered to be charged to the County of Essex by a Resolution passed March 13, 1786. | 51 12 1 | £. 104 12 10¾ |
| Sussex, | | 600 0 0 |
| | | £. 704 12 10¾ |

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—and Certificates, and £. 25,000 Specie, due April 1, 1782.

| | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the Counties of | | |
| Burlington, | | £. 713 14 3 |
| Suffex, | £. 1307 15 3¾ | 1405 5 2¾ |
| Balance carried to Account Current, | 10 2 0 | 23 1 1 |
| | £. 1317 17 3¾ | £. 2142 0 6¾ |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—Certificates, and £. 25,000, Specie, due July 1, 1782.

| | State Money & Certificates. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the Counties of | | |
| Eſſex, | | £. 441 19 3 |
| Monmouth, | £. 1475 9 9¼ | |
| Burlington, | 62 0 5 | 2433 10 6¼ |
| Salem, | | 28 14 2 |
| Cape-May, | 92 1 6 | |
| Hunterdon, | 1208 1 2 | |
| Morris, | 1608 5 10¼ | |
| Cumberland, | 298 12 1½ | |
| Suſſex, | 1090 12 5 | 1948 6 7 |
| Balance carried to Account Current, | 816 13 1 | 407 10 10 |
| | £. 6651 15 10¼ | £. 5260 1 4½ |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—for Support of Government, due July 1, 1782.

| | Specie. |
|---|---|
| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the Counties of | |
| Eſſex, | £. 104 12 10¾ |
| Suſſex, | 600 0 0 |
| | £. 704 12 10¾ |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH.
JOHN SHEPPARD.

DR.

DR. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—

On Account of the Proportion of the firſt Payment of—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the laſt Settlement by the Counties of | State Money. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Burlington, | | £. 241 14 10 |
| Hunterdon, | £. 412 2 5 | 143 17 4 |
| Cumberland, | 337 15 0 | |
| Suſſex, | 228 5 0 | 159 7 2 |
| | £. 978 2 5 | £. 544 19 4 |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—

On Account of the Proportion of the ſecond Payment of—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the laſt Settlement by the Counties of | State Money. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Bergen, | £. 97 5 7 | |
| Middleſex, | 100 0 0 | |
| Hunterdon, | 556 11 10 | £. 298 16 0 |
| Cumberland, | 13 4 4 | |
| Suſſex, | 568 14 9 | |
| | £. 1335 16 8 | £. 298 16 0 |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—

On Account of the Proportion of the ſecond Payment—

| To Deficiencies not paid in on the laſt Settlement by the Counties of | Specie. |
|---|---|
| Middleſex, | £. 947 15 7 |
| Burlington, | 475 6 3¾ |
| Hunterdon, | 1122 12 3¾ |
| Morris, | 1142 17 6 |
| Cumberland, | 203 9 4¾ |
| Suſſex, | 1600 3 10¾ |
| | £. 5492 4 11¾ |

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—Tax for raiſing £. 90,000, due October 1, 1782.

| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the Counties of | State Money. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Burlington, | | £. 210 15 11 |
| Hunterdon, | £. 322 8 5 | |
| Cumberland, | 312 16 4 | |
| Suſſex, | 228 5 0 | 159 7 2 |
| Balance carried to Account Current, | 114 12 8 | 174 16 3 |
| | £. 978 2 5 | £. 544 19 4 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—Tax for raiſing £. 90,000, due January 1, 1783.

| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the Counties of | State Money. | Specie. |
|---|---|---|
| Bergen, | £. 73 6 5 | |
| Middleſex, | 80 0 0 | |
| Hunterdon, | 406 11 8 | £. 152 4 5 |
| Suſſex, | 568 14 9 | |
| Balance carried to Account Current, | 207 3 10 | 146 11 7 |
| | £. 1335 16 8 | £. 298 16 0 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—of Tax for raiſing £. 90,930, due January 1, 1784.

| By Deficiencies not yet paid in by the Counties of | Specie. |
|---|---|
| Middleſex, | £. 808 19 3 |
| Burlington, | 475 6 3¾ |
| Hunterdon, | 1072 18 10¾ |
| Morris, | 1068 5 0 |
| Cumberland, | 112 9 7¼ |
| Suſſex, | 1600 3 10½ |
| Balance carried to Account Current, | 354 2 0 |
| | £. 5492 4 11¼ |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

DR. JAMES MOTT, Treasurer to—
On Account of Tax for raising £. 10,000, Specie, for—

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last Settlement by the Counties of

| | Specie. |
|---|---|
| Essex, | £. 96 7 4 |
| Middlesex, | 201 7 5 |
| Monmouth, | 909 10 10 |
| Somerset, | 589 15 2 |
| Salem, | 13 0 9 |
| Cape-May, | 80 4 9 |
| Hunterdon, | 1049 5 9 |
| Morris, | 563 9 3 |
| Cumberland, | 119 4 3 |
| Suffex, | 689 16 4 |
| | £. 4312 1 10 |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treasurer to
On Account of Tax for raising £. 10,000 for—

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last Settlement by the Counties of

| | |
|---|---|
| Essex, | £. 108 6 0 |
| Monmouth, | 348 6 8 |
| Somerset, | 309 9 11 |
| Morris, | 266 15 0 |
| Suffex, | 627 4 4 |
| | £. 1660 1 11 |

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treasurer to—
On Account of Tax for raising a Revenue of—

To Deficiencies not paid in on the last Settlement by the Counties of

| | |
|---|---|
| Essex, | £. 56 14 9 |
| Middlesex, | 432 2 11 |
| Monmouth, | 1358 18 2 |
| Somerset, | 625 14 4 |
| Salem, | 88 4 5 |
| Hunterdon, | 1151 5 7 |
| Morris, | 813 18 11 |
| Suffex, | 1442 19 4 |
| | £. 5969 18 5 |

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—sinking £. 30,000 in Bills of Credit, due December 1, 1785.
By Deficiencies not yet paid in by
the Counties of

| | Specie. |
|---|---|
| Middlesex, | £. 100 0 0 |
| Monmouth, | 909 10 10 |
| Hunterdon, | 957 11 4 |
| Morris, | 39 14 2 |
| Cumberland, | 119 4 3 |
| Suffex, | 640 0 3 |

Balance carried to Account Current in old State Money, 1546 1 0

£. 4312 1 10

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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—the State of New-JERSEY, CR.
—Support of Government, due December 1, 1785.
By Deficiencies not yet paid in by
the Counties of

| | |
|---|---|
| Monmouth, | £. 348 6 8 |
| Somerset, | 47 14 5 |
| Suffex, | 307 10 9 |

Balance carried to Account Current, 956 10 1

£. 1660 1 11

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—£. 31,259 5 0 in Bills of Credit, due December 1, 1785.
By Deficiencies not yet paid in by
the Counties of

| | |
|---|---|
| Middlesex, | £. 100 0 0 |
| Monmouth, | 1358 18 2 |
| Suffex, | 442 19 4 |

Balance carried to Account Current, 4068 0 11

£. 5969 18 5

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

Dr. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—
On Account of Tax for raiſing £. 10,000 for—

To the Quota of the ſaid Tax payable into the Treaſury by the ſeveral Counties.

| | £. | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bergen, | 671 | 14 | 10 |
| Eſſex, | 664 | 2 | 2 |
| Middleſex, | 815 | 9 | 2 |
| Monmouth, | 987 | 0 | 10 |
| Somerſet, | 868 | 19 | 8 |
| Burlington, | 1095 | 18 | 8 |
| Glouceſter, | 795 | 6 | 8 |
| Salem, | 636 | 0 | 10 |
| Cape-May, | 149 | 15 | 9 |
| Hunterdon, | 1346 | 8 | 3 |
| Morris, | 743 | 10 | 9 |
| Cumberland, | 357 | 2 | 4 |
| Suſſex, | 868 | 10 | 1 |
| | £. 10,000 | 0 | 0 |

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Dr. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—
On Account of Tax for raiſing a Revenue of—

To the Quota of the ſaid Tax payable into the Treaſury by the ſeveral Counties.

| | £. | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bergen, | 2099 | 16 | 4 |
| Eſſex, | 2075 | 18 | 10 |
| Middleſex, | 2549 | 1 | 6 |
| Monmouth, | 3087 | 17 | 2 |
| Somerſet, | 2716 | 7 | 0 |
| Burlington, | 3425 | 16 | 4 |
| Glouceſter, | 2486 | 2 | 11 |
| Salem, | 1988 | 4 | 5 |
| Cape-May, | 468 | 4 | 6 |
| Hunterdon, | 4208 | 15 | 6 |
| Morris, | 2321 | 16 | 5 |
| Cumberland, | 1116 | 6 | 6 |
| Suſſex, | 2714 | 17 | 7 |
| | £. 31,259 | 5 | 0 |

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.
—Support of Government, due December 30, 1786.
By Deficiencies not yet paid in by
the Counties of

| | £. | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Somerſet, | 568 | 19 | 8 |
| Suſſex, | 383 | 0 | 8 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Balance carried to Account Current, | 9047 | 19 | 8 |
| | £. 10,000 | 0 | 0 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.
—£. 31,259 5 0 in Bills of Credit, due December 30, 1786.
By Deficiencies not yet paid in by
the Counties of

| | £. | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bergen, | 85 | 5 | 11 |
| Middleſex, | 333 | 10 | 9 |
| Monmouth, | 1134 | 16 | 11 |
| Somerſet, | 918 | 4 | 9 |
| Glouceſter, | 239 | 5 | 11 |
| Hunterdon, | 812 | 16 | 6 |
| Cumberland, | 20 | 0 | 8 |
| Suſſex, | 1014 | 7 | 1 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Balance carried to Account Current, | 26,700 | 16 | 6 |
| | £. 31,259 | 5 | 0 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.
By Order of the Committees,
JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

Amount

# AMOUNT OF DEFICIENCIES DUE FROM THE SEVERAL COUNTIES.

| | Arrears of Taxes. State Money. | Arrears of Taxes. Specie. | Sinking Fund Tax, due Dec. 1, 1785. Specie. | Support Tax, due Dec. 1, 1785. | Revenue Tax, due Dec. 1, 1785. | Support Tax, due Dec. 30, 1786. | Revenue Tax, due Dec. 30, 1786. | Total Amount due. State Money. | Total Amount due. Lawful Money. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bergen, | £. 73 6 5 | £. 0 0 0 | £. 0 0 0 | £. 0 0 0 | £. 0 0 0 | £. 0 0 0 | £. 85 5 11 | £. 73 6 5 | £. 85 5 11 |
| Eſſex, | 0 0 0 | 546 12 1¾ | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 546 12 1¾ |
| Middleſex, | 80 0 0 | 808 19 3 | 100 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 100 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 333 10 9 | 80 0 0 | 1342 10 0 |
| Monmouth, | 1475 9 9¾ | 0 0 0 | 909 10 10 | 348 6 8 | 1358 18 2 | 0 0 0 | 1134 16 11 | 1475 9 9¾ | 3751 12 7 |
| Somerſet, | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 47 14 5 | 0 0 0 | 568 19 8 | 918 4 9 | 0 0 0 | 1534 18 10 |
| Burlington, | 4652 11 8¼ | 3833 7 0¼ | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 4652 11 8¼ | 3833 7 0¼ |
| Glouceſter, | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 239 5 11 | 0 0 0 | 239 5 11 |
| Salem, | 0 0 0 | 195 9 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 195 9 0 |
| Cape-May, | 92 1 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 92 1 0 | 0 0 0 |
| Hunterdon, | 1937 1 3 | 1225 3 3¾ | 957 11 4 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 812 16 6 | 1937 1 3 | 2995 11 1¾ |
| Morris, | 1608 5 10½ | 1068 5 0 | 39 14 2 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 1608 5 10½ | 1107 19 2 |
| Cumberland, | 611 8 5½ | 112 9 7¼ | 119 4 3 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 0 0 0 | 20 0 8 | 611 8 5½ | 251 14 6¾ |
| Suſſex, | 3774 7 1½ | 6186 18 0¾ | 640 0 3 | 307 10 9 | 442 19 4 | 383 0 8 | 1014 7 1 | 3774 7 1½ | 8974 16 1¾ |
| | | | | | | | | £. 14,304 11 7½ | £. 24,859 2 4¾ |



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JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to the State of NEW-JERSEY, DR.

Account of Caſh received of ſundry Perſons.

| | | £. | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1786. Dec. 23. | Received of John Hollinſhead, Eſquire, Sheriff of Burlington County, on Account of Fines, | 12 | 14 | 6 |
| 28. | Colonel David Potter, by the Hands of James Ewing, Eſquire, on Account of Ammunition ſold by him | | | |
| 1787. | agreeably to a Reſolution paſſed Nov. 25, 1785, | 5 | 8 | 5 |
| Mar. 16. | Thomas Goadſby and Albion Cox, on Account of the Sum due from them to the State for the Privilege of eſtabliſhing a Coinage of Copper, agreeably to an Act paſſed June 1, and the Supplement thereto, paſſed November 22, 1786, | 36 | 12 | 9 |
| April 4. | John Hardenbergh, Eſquire, Sheriff of Somerſet County, on Account of Fines, | 5 | 18 | 0 |
| 5. | Meſſrs. Goadſby and Cox, on Account of the Sum due from them to the State for the Privilege of eſtabliſhing a Coinage of Copper, | 74 | 18 | 10 |
| 6. | Ditto of Jonathan Dayton, Eſquire, Ditto, | 77 | 18 | 8 |
| May 8. | Walter Mould by the Hands of Jacob Arnold, on Account of the Sum due from them to the State for the Privilege of eſtabliſhing a Coinage of Copper, agreeably to an Act paſſed November 22, 1786. | 55 | 11 | 1 |
| 10. | John Anderſon, Eſquire, late Sheriff of Hunterdon County, on Account of Fines, | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| July 5. | Eli Elmer, Eſquire, Sheriff of Cumberland County, on Account of a Balance due the State from Enos Seely and William Kelſay, agreeably to the Auditor's Return made December 10, 1784, | 73 | 13 | 0 |
| 23. | Walter Mould, by the Hands of John Ruſſell, on Account of the Sum due from him to the State for the Privilege of eſtabliſhing a Coinage of Copper, | 55 | 11 | 1 |
| Sept. 7. | Ditto per Moſes Eſtey, for Ditto, | 55 | 11 | 2 |
| Oct. 4. | Meſſrs. Goadſby and Cox, for Ditto, | 28 | 0 | 3 |
| 22. | John Hendry, by the Hands of Captain Samuel Hendry, on Account of the Rent of the Barracks in Burlington, agreeably to a Reſolution paſſed Auguſt 9, 1784, | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| 25. | Meſſrs. Goadſby and Cox, on Account of the Sum due from them to the State for the Privilege of eſtabliſhing a Coinage of Copper, | 84 | 7 | 6 |
| | William C. Houſton, Eſq. Clerk of the Supreme Court, for Abraham Manning, Eſq. late Sheriff of Bergen County, on Account of Fines due from the ſaid Manning. | 445 | 0 | 0 |
| | Amount carried to Account Current, | £. 1029 | 5 | 3 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

JAMES

JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to the State of NEW-JERSEY, DR.
On Account of Caſh received for ſundry Licenſes by Virtue of an Act, intitled, 'An Act for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and 'Taverns,' paſſed November 24, 1786, and the Supplement thereto, paſſed June 7, 1787.

| | | £. | s. | d. |
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| 1786. Dec. 30. 1787. | Received of Robert M'Kean and Co. for a Licenſe to run a Line of Stages from Bordentown to Perth-Amboy, for one Year, | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Jan. 1. | Michael Denniſon, Charles Beſſonet, Francis Witt, David Hamilton, William Jones, Thomas Egbert, Daniel Marſh, Matthias Ward, John N. Cumming and Ichabod Grummon, for a Licenſe to run a Line of Stages from Trenton to the eaſtern Parts of this State, for one Year, | 150 | 0 | 0 |
| 3. | John Mercereau, William Hight, John Hulick, Robert Stockton, Joſeph Davis, Gerſhom Johnſon and Joſeph Smith, for a Licenſe to run a Line of Stages from Trenton to the eaſtern Parts of this State, for one Year, | 150 | 0 | 0 |
| | Amos Hutchin and Richard Handley, for a Licenſe to run a Line of Stages from Burlington to the eaſtern Parts of this State, for one Year, | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| 1. | Thomas Quigley, for a Licenſe to keep a Ferry at Elizabeth-Town New-Point, called Crane's Ferry, for one Year, | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| | James Drake, by the Hands of Henry Drake, for a Licenſe to keep a Ferry over Raritan at New-Brunſwick both Sides, for one Year, | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| | Joſeph Vandergrift, by the Hands of Daniel Marſh, Eſquire, for a Licenſe to keep a Ferry over Delaware, called the Old Ferry, near Trenton, for one Year, | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| | Jeſſe Tenbrook, by the Hands of Joſeph Brown, for a Licenſe to keep Newark Ferry, for one Year, | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| | Iſrael Hedden, by the Hands of Caleb Camp, Eſquire, for a Licenſe to keep Hackinſack Ferry, for one Year, | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| | Jecamiah Smith, for a Licenſe to keep Paulus-Hook Ferry, for one Year, | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| | William Cooper, for a Licenſe to keep a Ferry over Delaware oppoſite Philadelphia, for one Year, | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| | Samuel Cooper, for a Licenſe to keep a Ferry over Delaware oppoſite Philadelphia, for one Year, | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| | Joſhua Cooper, for a Licenſe to keep a Ferry over Delaware oppoſite Philadelphia, for one Year, | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| | John Stevens jun. for a Licenſe to keep a Ferry over Hudſon's River at Hobokin, for one Year, | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| July 21. | John Black, Collector of Burlington County, on Account of Tavern Licenſes, | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| 27. | John Armſtrong, Eſquire, Collector of Suſſex County, on Account of Ditto, | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Aug. 1. | John Coryell, for a Licenſe to keep the Ferry late Coryell's, for one Year, | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | Peter Howell, for a Licenſe to keep Howell's lower Ferry, for one Year, | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | Amount carried over, | £. 637 | 0 | 0 |

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| 1787. | Amount brought over, | £. | 637 | 0 0 |
| Aug. 1. | Received of George Beatty, for a Licenſe to keep Beatty's Ferry for one Year, | | 2 | 10 0 |
| | Joſeph Fenimore, for a Licenſe to keep Dunk's Ferry for one Year, | | 2 | 0 0 |
| | Hezekiah Garwood, for a Licenſe to keep Ancocus upper Ferry South Side for one Year, | | 1 | 10 0 |
| | Seth Auſtin, for a Licenſe to keep Ancocus upper Ferry North Side for one Year, | | 1 | 10 0 |
| | John Price, by the Hands of John Bodine, for a Licenſe to keep Howell's upper Ferry for one Year, | | 2 | 0 0 |
| | Samuel Wallace, for a Licenſe to keep Ancocus lower Ferry South Side for one Year, | | 2 | 10 0 |
| | Paul Criſpin, for a Licenſe to keep Ancocus lower Ferry North Side for one Year, | | 2 | 10 0 |
| | Abraham Woglum, for a Licenſe to keep Lamberton Ferry for one Year, | | 5 | 0 0 |
| 30. | Tunis Quick, Eſquire, Collector of Hunterdon County, on Account of Tavern Licenſes, | | 15 | 0 0 |
| | Amount carried to Account Current, | £. | 671 | 10 0 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to the State of NEW-JERSEY, DR.

On Account of old State Money received for Fines.

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| 1786. Nov. 22. | Received of Abraham Manning, Eſquire, late Sheriff of Bergen County, on Account of Fines, | £. | 20 | 9 9 |
| | Amount carried to Account Current. | | | |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to the State of NEW-JERSEY, DR.

On Account of Continental Money received on Arrears of Taxes levied in Continental Currency.

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| 1787. Sept. 14. | Received of Jonathan Stiles, Eſq. former Collector of Morris County, on Account of Arrearges of Taxes levied in Continental Currency, | £. | 413 | 5 0 |
| | Amount carried to Account Current. | | | |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to the State of NEW-JERSEY, DR.

On Account of Notes and Certificates received of ſundry Perſons for Debts due the State.

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| 1786. Nov. 22. | Received of Abraham Manning, Eſq. late Sheriff of Bergen County, on Account of Fines, | £. | 153 | 5 11 |
| Dec. 23. | John Hollinſhead, Eſquire, Sheriff of Burlington County, on Account of Ditto, | | 8 | 13 6 |
| | Amount carried forward, | £. | 161 | 19 5 |

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| 1786. | Amount brought forward, | £. | 161 | 19 5 |
| Dec. 28. | Received of John Black, Commiſſioner of the old Loan- | | | |
| 1787. | Office for the County of Burlington, | | 100 | 6 2 |
| Jan. 16. | William Harriman, Commiſſioner for diſpoſing of the Materials of the Barracks in Elizabeth-Town, which were not deſtroyed by Fire, agreeably to a Reſolution paſſed June 19, 1783, | | 156 | 5 4 |
| 27. | John Holme, Commiſſioner of the old Loan-Office for the County of Salem, | | 164 | 8 5 |
| April 2. | Thomas Denny, Eſquire, late Sheriff of Glouceſter County, on Account of Fines, | | 286 | 6 8 |
| 4. | John Hardenbergh, Eſquire, Sheriff of Somerſet County, on Account of Ditto, | | 5 | 12 4 |
| 7. | Abraham Ogden, Eſq. in Diſcharge of a Bond given in Purſuance of an Act paſſed November 23, 1785, | | 1771 | 0 8 |
| May 10. | John Anderſon, Eſq. late Sheriff of Hunterdon County, on Account of Fines, | | 29 | 0 0 |
| June 7. | Peter Wilſon, Eſq. late Commiſſioner for iſſuing Notes to the Militia of Bergen County, on Account of an Error made in iſſuing a Note to Major Goetſchius of £. 24 8 0, agreeably to a Reſolution paſſed May 24, 1787. | | 24 | 11 1 |
| July 5. | Eli Elmer, Eſquire, Sheriff of Cumberland County, on Account of Fines. | | 163 | 15 7 |
| | Amount carried to Account Current, | £. | 2863 | 5 8 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

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DR. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—

Account Current in—

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| To Balance due the State in Continental Money, on Settlement November 1, 1786, | £. | 38,178 | 7 10¾ |
| To Amount received on Arrears of Continental Taxes, | | 413 | 5 0 |
| | £. | 38,591 | 12 10¾ |

JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to the State of NEW-JERSEY, DR.
On Account of Notes and Certificates received of the ſeveral Agents of forfeited Eſtates.

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| 1786. | | | | |
| Nov. 21. | Received of Abraham Kitchel, Eſquire, Agent of forfeited Eſtates for the County of Morris, | £. 151 | 12 | 10 |
| 1787. | Thomas Fenimore, Eſquire, Ditto, Burlington, | 1187 | 8 | 6 |
| Mar. 20. | David Olden, Eſquire, Ditto, Middleſex, | 3263 | 5 | 3 |
| April 16. | Cornelius Haring, Eſquire, Ditto, Bergen, | 9110 | 15 | 8 |
| 30. | George Warne, one of the late Commiſſioners of Ditto, Suſſex, | 518 | 2 | 3 |
| June 22. | John Stillwell, Agent of Ditto, Monmouth, | 2513 | 13 | 1 |
| Sept. 4. | Samuel Hayes, Ditto Eſſex, | 1913 | 11 | 1 |
| 14. | Moore Furman, Eſquire, Ditto, Hunterdon, | 4380 | 18 | 10 |
| | Amount carried to Account Current, | £. 23,039 | 7 | 6 |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

By Order of the Committees,

JOSEPH SMITH,
JOHN SHEPPARD.

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—Continental Money.

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| By Amount paid James Ewing, Eſquire, Commiſſioner of the Continental Loan-Office, agreeably to a Reſolution paſſed November 8, 1786, as per Receipt, | £. 38,178 | 7 | 10¾ |
| Balance due the State, | 413 | 5 | 0 |
| | £. 38,591 | 12 | 10¾ |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

WE, the Committee of Council and Aſſembly appointed to ſettle the Treaſurer's Accounts, having examined the above and the Voucher relating thereto, do find a Balance of Four Hundred and Thirteen Pounds Five Shillings, Continental Money, remaining in the Hands of the ſaid Treaſurer, agreeably to the above Statement.

JOSEPH SMITH,
ASHER HOLMES,
JOHN SHEPPARD,
THOMAS SINNICKSON,
RICHARD S. SMITH,
JONA. DAYTON,
FRANKLIN DAVENPORT.

DR.

Dr. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—
Account Current in—

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| To Amount received of ſundry Perſons for Debts due the State, | £. 2863 | 5 | 8 |
| To Amount received of the Agents of forfeited Eſtates, | 23,039 | 7 | 6 |
| | £. 25,902 | 13 | 2 |

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Dr. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—
Account Current in—

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| To Balance due the State in State Money on Settlement November 1, 1786, | £. 28,902 | 12 | 7 |
| To Balance on Tax in State Money and Certificates, due April 1, 1782. | 10 | 2 | 0 |
| To Ditto, on Ditto, due July 1, 1782, | 816 | 13 | 1 |
| To Ditto, on Ditto, in State Money, due October 1, 1782, | 114 | 12 | 8 |
| To Ditto, on Ditto, due January 1, 1783, | 207 | 3 | 10 |
| To Ditto, on the Sinking Fund Tax, due December 1, 1785, viz. £. 1546 1 0, lawful Money, equal to, at 1 for 3 in State Money, | 4638 | 3 | 0 |
| To Amount received on Account of Fines, | 20 | 9 | 9 |
| | £. 34,709 | 16 | 11 |

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—Notes and Certificates.

By Amount of ſundry Notes and Certificates examined and allowed, £. 25,902 13 2

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

WE, the Committee of Council and Aſſembly appointed to ſettle the Treaſurer's Accounts, having examined the above and the Vouchers relating thereto, do find the ſame juſtly ſtated.

JOSEPH SMITH,
ASHER HOLMES,
JOHN SHEPPARD,
THOMAS SINNICKSON,
RICHARD S. SMITH,
JONA. DAYTON,
FRANKLIN DAVENPORT.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—State Money.

By Amount of State Money burned by Samuel Tucker and James Ewing, Eſquires, as per Certificates, dated February 17, 1787, of the Emiſſion of June 9, 1780, £. 23,157 5 9
Ditto, January 9, 1781, 5745 7 0 £. 28,902 12 9

Balance due the State in State Money, 4995 0 1
Ditto, in lawful Money, £. 270 14 8¼, received at 1 for 3 on the Sinking Fund Tax, and not yet exchanged, equal to, in State Money, 812 4 1 5807 4 2

£. 34,709 16 11

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

WE, the Committee of Council and Aſſembly appointed to ſettle the Treaſurer's Accounts, having examined the above, and the Vouchers relating thereto, do find a Balance of Four Thouſand Nine Hundred and Ninety-five Pounds and One-penny, in old State Money, and Two Hundred and Seventy Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Eight-pence One Farthing, lawful Money, received on the Sinking Fund Tax at one for three, and not yet exchanged, equal to Eight Hundred and Twelve Pounds Four Shillings and One-penny, old State Money, remaining in the Hands of the ſaid Treaſurer, agreeably to the above Statement.

JOSEPH SMITH,
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JOHN SHEPPARD,
THOMAS SINNICKSON,
RICHARD S. SMITH,
JONA. DAYTON,
FRANKLIN DAVENPORT.

Dr. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—
Account Current in—

| | £. | | |
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| To Balance due the State in Specie and Revenue Money on Settlement November 1, 1786, | 374 | 16 | 1¼ |
| To Balance on Tax in Specie, due April 1, 1782, | 23 | 1 | 1 |
| To Ditto, July 1, | 407 | 10 | 10 |
| To Ditto, October 1, | 174 | 16 | 3 |
| To Ditto, January 1, 1783, | 146 | 11 | 7 |
| To Ditto, January 1, 1784, | 354 | 2 | 0 |
| To Ditto, for Support of Government, December 1, 1785, | 956 | 10 | 1 |
| To Ditto, on the Revenue Ditto, Ditto, | 4068 | 0 | 11 |
| To Ditto, for Support of Government, December 30, 1786, | 9047 | 19 | 8 |
| To Ditto, on the Revenue Ditto, Ditto, | 26,700 | 16 | 6 |
| To Amount received of ſundry Perſons, | 1029 | 5 | 3 |
| To Ditto, for ſundry Licenſes, | 671 | 10 | 0 |
| To Ditto, of Benjamin Van-Cleve, Eſquire, and Maſkell Ewing, junior, Signers of the new Emiſſion of Loan-Office Money, | 50,000 | 0 | 0 |
| To Ditto, of James Ewing and Benjamin Smith, Eſqrs. Signers of the new Emiſſion of Loan-Office Money, | 50,000 | 0 | 0 |

Amount carried forward, £. 143,955 0 3¼

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, CR.
—lawful Money.

| | £. | s. | d. |
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| By Amount one Voucher No. 1, for Cash paid in Specie, for one Year's Interest on Continental Loan-Office Certificates, | 49 | 13 | 5 |
| By Ditto, of sundry Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 165, inclusive, for Cash paid in lawful Money for one Year's Interest on Ditto, | 341 | 0 | 11 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 470, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for the second Year's Interest on Ditto, | 2204 | 0 | 0 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 892, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for the third Year's Interest on Ditto, | 7542 | 4 | 10 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 833, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for one Year's Interest on Certificates signed by Benjamin Thompson, Esquire, Commissioner, | 2406 | 17 | 2 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 1526, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for the second Year's Interest on Ditto, | 10,159 | 12 | 9 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 125, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for one Year's Interest on Certificates signed by John Pierce, Esquire, Commissioner, | 706 | 18 | 9 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 288, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for the second Year's Interest on Ditto, | 3666 | 3 | 11 |
| By Ditto of two Ditto, No. 1 and No. 2, for Ditto, paid for the third Year's Interest on Continental liquidated Certificates, | 98 | 16 | 3 |
| By Ditto of sundry Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 231, inclusive, for Ditto, paid for Support of Government and Incidental Charges, | 8984 | 13 | 11 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 42, Ditto, for Ditto, paid on Warrants of Half-pay, | 1847 | 4 | 7 |
| By Ditto, of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 193, Ditto, for Ditto, paid to Invalids on their Certificates from the Inspector, | 2279 | 17 | 4 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 11, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for Interest on Notes of Depreciation, | 274 | 8 | 6 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 28, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for Principal and Interest on ⅓ Notes of Depreciation, | 1154 | 15 | 11 |
| By Amount of sundry Vouchers from No. 1 to No. 15, for Cash paid for one Year's Interest on old State Money, | 169 | 13 | 11 |
| By Ditto of one Ditto, No. 1, for Ditto, paid for the Time of a Servant enlisted in the Continental Service, | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| By Ditto of sundry Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 3, inclusive, for Ditto, paid to the late Superintendant of Purchases, | 317 | 7 | 6 |
| By Ditto of one Ditto, No. 1, for Ditto, paid for impressing of Teams for the Continental Service, | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| By Ditto of sundry Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 4, inclusive, for Ditto, allowed on Orders drawn by John Stevens, junior, late Treasurer, | 588 | 14 | 2 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 12, Ditto, for Ditto, paid for Interest on Certificates signed by John Pierce, Esq. Commissioner, which was originally received by John Peck, late Agent to the second Jersey Regiment, and deposited in the Treasury by him, to be paid to the Proprietors thereof, | 12 | 3 | 6 |
| Amount carried forward, | £. 42,820 | 17 | 4 |

Dr. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—
Account Current in—

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| Amount brought forward, | £ 143,955 | 0 | 3½ |
| | £. 143,955 | 0 | 3½ |

Dr. JAMES MOTT, Treaſurer to—
Account Current in—

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| To Amount of ſundry Orders from the Auditor, and by Virtue of an Act paſſed December 23, 1783, numbered from No. 1 to No. 239, inclusive, for making out Notes of Depreciation, | £. 12,207 | 7 | 11½ |
| To Amount of 99 Notes of Depreciation received of John Stevens, jun. late Treaſurer, | 4255 | 8 | 0 |
| | £. 16,462 | 15 | 11½ |

—the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.
—lawful Money.

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| Amount brought forward, | £. 42,820 | 17 | 4 |
| By Ditto of Ditto, from No. 1 to No. 15, Ditto, for Ditto, paid to the Commiſſioners of the Loan-Office in the ſeveral Counties, | 100,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Balance due the State, | 1134 | 2 | 11¼ |
| | £. 143,955 | 0 | 3¼ |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

WE, the Committee of Council and Aſſembly appointed to ſettle the Treaſurer's Accounts, having examined the above and the ſeveral Vouchers relating thereto, viz. No. 1, from No. 1 to No. 165, incluſive, from No. 1 to No. 470, Do. from No. 1 to No. 892, Do. from No. 1 to No. 833, Do. from No. 1 to No. 1526, Do. from No. 1 to No. 125, Do. from No. 1 to No. 288, Do. No. 1 and No. 2, from No. 1 to No. 231, Do. from No. 1 to No. 42, Do. from No. 1 to No. 193, Do. from No. 1 to No. 11, Do. from No. 1 to No. 28, Do. from No. 1 to No. 15, Do. No. 1, from No. 1 to No. 3, Do. No. 1, from No. 1 to No. 4, Do. from No. 1 to No. 12, Do. and from No. 1 to No. 15, Do. do find a Balance of One Thouſand One Hundred and Thirty-four Pounds Two Shillings and Eleven-pence One Farthing, due from the ſaid Treaſurer, agreeably to the above Statement.

JOSEPH SMITH,
ASHER HOLMES,
JOHN SHEPPARD,
THOMAS SINNICKSON,
RICHARD S. SMITH,
JONA. DAYTON,
FRANKLIN DAVENPORT.

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—the State of NEW-JERSEY, Cr.
—Notes of Depreciation.

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| By Amount of ſundry Vouchers from No. 1 to No. 239, incluſive, for delivering of Notes of Depreciation, | £. 12,207 | 7 | 11¾ |
| By Amount of ſundry Vouchers from No. 1 to No. 37, incluſive, for delivering 69 Notes of Depreciation, | 2883 | 13 | 6½ |
| Remaining in the Hands of the Treaſurer 30 Notes of Depreciation, ſigned by and received of John Stevens, jun. late Treaſurer, amounting to | 1371 | 14 | 5½ |
| | £. 16,462 | 15 | 11¾ |

Trenton, November 1, 1787.

WE, the Committee of Council and Aſſembly appointed to ſettle the Treaſurer's Accounts, having examined the above and the ſeveral Vouchers relating thereto, do find thirty Notes of Depreciation, ſigned by and received of John Stevens, jun. late Treaſurer, amounting to Thirteen Hundred and Seventy-one Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Five-pence Half-penny, remaining in the Hands of the ſaid Treaſurer, agreeably to the above Statement.

JOSEPH SMITH,
ASHER HOLMES,
JOHN SHEPPARD,
THOMAS SINNICKSON,
RICHARD S. SMITH,
JONA. DAYTON,
FRANKLIN DAVENPORT.

To which Report the Houſe agreed.

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Dayton, Douglaſs and Smith, have Leave of Abſence during the Remainder of the preſent Sitting.

On Motion,

*Reſolved*, That Iſaac Collins be appointed to print the Acts of the Legiſlature of the preſent Seſſion.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Boyd do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

*Alſo ordered*, That the ſaid Iſaac Collins be directed to print the Votes of this Houſe the preſent Seſſion.

The Petition from Frederick Quequelle and George Wilſon, read on the 23d Ultimo, was read a ſecond Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of certain 'Marſh, Meadow and Swamp, ſituate on Salem, alias Hollybourn, Creek, 'Keaſbey's and Mill Creeks, in the County of Salem, and State of New-Jerſey, 'to keep up and maintain the Banks, Dams, Sluices and other Waterworks, 'neceſſary to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſame,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Kitchel.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, November 3, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Kitchel do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to extend and explain the Proviſions al-"ready made by Law for the Payment of Intereſt on certain Certificates," is 'paſſed by this Houſe without Amendment.'

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Kitchel do carry to the Houſe of Aſſembly the Bill, intitled, '"An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned, for the Relief of "Inſolvent Debtors," with the Amendment made thereto by this Houſe, and 'requeſt their Concurrence in the ſaid Amendment;'

Which Bill with the Amendment was read, and the Amendment being read in its Place, was agreed to by the Houſe.

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be re-engroſſed with the ſaid Amendment.

A Petition from John Butler, accompanied with a Bill of Coſt, and praying Payment of the ſame from the State, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The ſeveral Petitions from the Inhabitants of the County of Hunterdon, praying Leave to build a new Courthouſe and Gaol in the ſaid County, were read a ſecond Time; whereupon,

Mr. Anderſon, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An 'Act for building a Courthouſe and Gaol in the County of Hunterdon, and 'for other Purpoſes therein mentioned;' which Bill was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

The re-engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal two certain Acts therein 'mentioned, for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors,' was read and compared,

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Bill to Council, and acquaint them that the ſame is paſſed by this Houſe with their Amendment.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to naturalize certain Perſons therein 'mentioned,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to amend the fifth Section of an Act to raiſe 'the Sum of Twelve Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds per Annum, for the 'Term of twenty-two Years, for the Purpoſe of paying the Intereſt on the 'Debts due from this State to the Inhabitants thereof, paſſed June ſeventh, Se-'venteen Hundred and Eighty-ſeven,' with the Amendments made thereto by this Houſe, was read the third Time; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame as amended do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Boyd, |
| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Kelley, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Wade, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Jones, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Bunn, | | | Mr. Whilden, |
| | | | Mr. Starke, |
| | | | Mr. Sheppard. |

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſaid Bill and Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Sheppard do carry the ſaid Bill and Amendments to the Council, and requeſt their Concurrence in the ſame.

Mr. Cook reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Sinnickſon, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An 'Act prohibiting the Commiſſioners of the Loan-Offices from receiving the 'publick Securities of this State in Diſcharge of Mortgages;' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned till Monday Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Monday, November* 5, 1787.

The Houſe met.

A Petition from a Number of Perſons Inhabitants of Trenton, was read, praying a Law may be paſſed to annex them as an Infantry Company to the firſt Regiment of the County of Hunterdon, and that they may not be obliged to attend military Duty in the Militia Company of the ſaid Town, was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

A Petition from John Rattoon, praying an Amendment to the Law for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns, was read and committed to Meſſrs. Wilſon, Wade and Cooper, to report their Opinion thereon to the Houſe.

A Petition from Anthony Broderick, praying that the Treaſurer may be directed to pay him all the Intereſt now due on Certificates in his own Name, for Monies due him from the State, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Memorial from Benjamin Yard, Eſquire, of Trenton, praying that the Treaſurer may be directed to pay him in Caſh Demands he hath againſt Eſtates which have been forfeited to, and veſted in this State, was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Sheppard reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of 'certain Marſh, Meadow and Swamp, ſituate on Salem, alias Hollybourn, Creek, 'Keaſbey's and Mill Creeks, in the County of Salem, to keep up and maintain 'the Banks, Dams and other Waterworks, neceſſary to prevent the Tide from 'overflowing the ſame,' was read and compared, *Reſolved*,

*Reſolved*, *unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Hankinſon do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Hankinſon reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for raiſing the Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds for 'the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jerſey, and other contingent 'Expences thereof,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Petition from the Board of Aſſeſſors of Burlington County, read on the 24th Ultimo, was read a ſecond Time; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners be referred to the Act of the Legiſlature mentioned in their Petition as ſufficient to anſwer the Purpoſes therein requeſted.

The Petition from John Zabriſkie, read on the 31ſt Ultimo, was read a ſecond Time;

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner have Leave to preſent a Bill to anſwer the Prayer of his Petition.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Ogden.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, November 5, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Ogden do carry to the Houſe of Aſſembly the Bill, intitled, '"An Act to raiſe the Sum of Twelve Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds "per Annum, for the Term of twenty-two Years," &c. and acquaint them 'that this Houſe adhere to the Bill and diſagree to their Amendments.'

*Reſolved*, That this Houſe do recede from their Amendments made to the ſaid Bill, and rejected by Council.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Boyd do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

'*Ordered*, 'Council-Chamber, November 5, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Ogden do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that the Reſolution relative to directing the Treaſurer to require from 'Officers in the Line of the late Army, a Certificate from the Commiſſioner of 'Army Accounts, &c. the Reſolution appointing James Ewing and Samuel 'Tucker, Eſquires, to inſpect and burn the Bills of Credit that have been 'iſſued on the Faith of this State, &c. and the Reſolution relative to autho-'rizing and empowering James Mott, Eſquire, to receive and liquidate all 'ſuch proper Certificates and Vouchers as may be laid before him, on or be-'fore the firſt Day of January next, and to iſſue State Notes to the Holders, 'in Manner directed by the Act, intitled, "An Act," &c. are concurred in by 'this Houſe.'

Mr. Cooper, with Leave, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of a 'Tract of Meadow and Marſh on the northeaſt Side of Oldmans's Creek, in 'the Townſhip of Woolwich, in the County of Glouceſter, to uphold and 'maintain a certain Bank to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſaid Mea-'dow and Marſh, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned;' which Bill was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of certain 'Meadows and Tide Marſh, lying on Salem Creek, in the Townſhip of Man-'nington, in the County of Salem, to make and maintain a Bank, Dam and 'other Waterworks, in order to drain and prevent the Tide from overflowing 'the ſame,' was read, and referred to be read a ſecond Time on the ſecond Wedneſday of the next Sitting, the Parties then for and againſt the Bill to be heard.

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The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to raiſe the Sum of Four Thouſand 'Pounds for the Support of the Government of the State of New-Jerſey, and 'other contingent Expences thereof,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Biddle, |
| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Jones, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Clark, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| | | | Mr. Sheppard. |

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Boyd do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council for their Concurrence.

*Reſolved*, That the Printer who ſhall from Time to Time be appointed to print the Laws of this State, the Votes of the Aſſembly, and Journals of Council, be directed to forward, by the moſt ſafe and ſpeedy Conveyance, the Proportion of each County, to the Clerk of the Pleas for ſuch County, to be by him diſtributed to the ſeveral Officers and Perſons intitled to receive the ſame; and that he lay the Expence thereby incurred before the Legiſlature at their next Sitting, for Allowance and Payment.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Boyd do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for their Concurrence.

Mr. Wilſon, from the Committee to whom were referred the Petitions of John Rattoon and others, reſpecting Ferries and Stages, reported as follows:

THAT in Addition to the Proportion of Revenue raiſed by the ſeveral Laws for the Collection of Taxes from Ferries, in common with other Articles, in each of which Caſes it is ſuppoſable that this Species of Property bore an equal Share of the publick Burdens, a ſpecific Tax or Duty is laid on Ferries, which your Committee for that Reaſon conceives ought to be diſcontinued.

That an Alteration in the Law reſpecting the Duty laid on Stages does not at this Time appear practicable. By Order of the Committee,

PETER WILSON.

On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Report? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Wade, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Combs, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Hall, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Burgin. |
| Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Clark, | |

The Speaker laid before the Houſe a Letter from the Auditor reſpecting Pay for the Hire of Clerks to aſſiſt him in ſettling the Accounts of this State with the United States; whereupon,

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer pay to Aaron Dunham, Eſquire, Auditor, or to his Order, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, for which he is to be accountable, for the Hire of Clerks to aſſiſt him in preparing the Accounts of this State for Settlement with the Commiſſioners appointed on Behalf of the

United States; and that the Receipt of the ſaid Aaron Dunham, or his Order, ſhall be a ſufficient Voucher to the ſaid Treaſurer for ſo much Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Boyd do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Thomſon.

'Council-Chamber, November 5, 1787.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Bond given by James 'Mott, Eſquire, as Treaſurer,

'*Reſolved*, That the ſame is ſatisfactory.

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Thomſon do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint 'them that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to naturalize certain Perſons "therein mentioned;" and the Bill, intitled, "An Act to enable the "Owners and Poſſeſſors of certain Marſh, Meadow and Swamp, ſitu-"ate on Salem, alias Hollybourn, Creek, Keaſbey's and Mill Creeks, in the "County of Salem, to keep up and maintain the Banks, Dams and other Wa-"terworks, neceſſary to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſame," are 'paſſed by this Houſe without Amendment.'

Mr. Wade, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act for defraying ſundry Incidental Charges;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Sinnickſon, agreeably to Leave given at the laſt Sitting, and in Behalf of the Petitioner, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act for build-'ing a Drawbridge over Oldman's Creek, Diviſion Line between the Counties 'of Glouceſter and Salem, with a Cauſeway to and from the ſame;' and a Petition being preſented, praying that the ſaid Bill may not be enacted into a Law;

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be read a ſecond Time on the ſecond Thurſday of the next Sitting, that the Parties for and againſt the Paſſing of the ſame may attend, and be heard reſpecting the Propriety or Impropriety of the ſaid Bill being enacted into a Law.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Tueſday, November* 6, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Boyd reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Kitchel, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'A Sup-'plement to the Act, intitled, An Act to aſcertain the Time and Mode of le-'vying Taxes, and the better to enforce the Collection thereof;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from Mary M'Eowen was read, praying that the Treaſurer may be directed to pay her the Intereſt on her Loan-Office Certificates, notwithſtanding ſhe lived for a ſhort Time in New-York, in the Year 1785;

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petition do lie on the Table, a Law having paſſed this Sitting to anſwer the Prayer of her Petition.

A Petition from Anthony Broderick, of the County of Suſſex, was read, praying one Year's Intereſt may be advanced to him from the Treaſurer on Certificates belonging to him, or that he may have an Order to that Amount on the County Collector of Suſſex;

*Ordered*, That he have Leave to preſent a Reſolution to anſwer the Prayer of his Petition.

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The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to prohibit the Commiſſioners of the Loan-Offices in this State from receiving publick Securities in Diſcharge of Mortgages,' was read a ſecond Time, and the Title amended to read as follows: 'An Act to aſcertain what ſhall be deemed a ſufficient Diſcharge of Loan-Office Mortgages;' which being further amended in the Houſe, was ordered to be engroſſed.

A Warrant in Favour of Catharine Piatt, Widow of Daniel Piatt, deceaſed, late a Major in the firſt Regiment of this State, and who died while in the Service of the United States, for the Amount of her late Huſband's Half-pay, having had Endorſements of Monies paid thereon at ſeveral Times to the Amount of £. 833. 15 0; and the ſaid Warrant having been torn, and no further Room thereon for the Endorſement of Receipts;

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Warrant be now renewed.

Mr. Biddle, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act 'to explain an Act, intitled, An Act for eſtabliſhing certain free Ports in the 'State of New-Jerſey, and for the Encouragement of Commerce therein;' which Bill was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to aſcertain what ſhall be deemed a 'ſufficient Diſcharge of Loan-Office Mortgages,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Wade do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Haring.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, November 6, 1787.

'THAT Mr. Haring do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that the Reſolution relative to appointing Iſaac Collins to print the Acts 'of the Legiſlature of the preſent Seſſion; and the Reſolution relative to allowing Aaron Dunham, Eſquire, Auditor, or to his Order, the Sum of £. 100, 'for the Hire of Clerks, &c. are concurred in by this Houſe; and alſo that 'Mr. Haring do carry to the Houſe of Aſſembly the Reſolution relative to directing the Printer to convey to the Clerks of the different Counties the Laws 'and Votes of Aſſembly and Council, &c. and inform them that the ſaid Reſolution is rejected by this Houſe.'

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Haring do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to provide for the Payment of the ſeveral Officers of the Government of New-Jerſey for one Year, to commence the "twelfth Day of October Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-ſeven, and to end "the twelfth Day of October Seventeen Hundred and Eighty-eight," is paſſed 'by this Houſe without Amendment.'

A Petition from ſundry Owners and Poſſeſſors of Meadows in the County of Salem, praying an Alteration to the Law paſſed for the better Improvement of their Meadows, was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

Mr. Kitchel, agreeably to Leave given at the laſt Sitting, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable 'the Owners and Poſſeſſors of the Meadows and Swamps, lying on the Rivers 'Paſſaick, Rockaway and Whippanung, between the Little Falls and Chatham, 'to remove the Obſtructions, and dig a Ditch for the more effectual draining 'the Meadows and Swamp Land adjoining the ſame;' which was read, and referred to the next Sitting.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

*Reſolved*,

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be authorized to pay to Anthony Broderick, out of the Arrearages of Taxes due from the County of Suſſex before the preſent Year, as ſoon as the ſame ſhall be paid forward into the Treaſury, one Year's Intereſt in Advance over and above the Intereſt payable by Law, on ſuch of his Certificates for the Payment of the Intereſt on which Proviſion is made by Law, provided the Sum ſo advanced doth not exceed the Sum of £. 300, or to give an Order on any of the Collectors of the ſaid County of Suſſex to the Amount aforeſaid, to be diſcharged out of the Arrears of Taxes due from ſaid County, within the above Deſcription, endorſing the ſaid Payment of Intereſt as the Law directs.

*Reſolved*, That the Reſolution of the Legiſlature of the 7th Day of June laſt, directing the Treaſurer of the State to give a Draught in Favour of the Honourable Mark Thomſon, for the Uſe of the ſaid Anthony Broderick, for the Sum of Four Hundred Pounds, be, and the ſame is hereby made void.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Little do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for their Concurrence.

The Petition from John Rattoon and others, praying an Amendment to the Law for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns, was ordered to be referred to the next Sitting.

Mr. Little reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Speaker laid before the Houſe a Letter from the Treaſurer, reciting the Impracticability of his performing as Treaſurer the Services enjoined him by the Reſolutions of the Legiſlature of November 5, 1787; whereupon,

*Reſolved*, That Maſkell Ewing be appointed as Commiſſioner in the Place of the ſaid James Mott, Eſquire, for the Purpoſes mentioned in the ſaid Reſolution; and that he lay an Account of his Time, and the Expences that may attend the aforeſaid Service, before the Legiſlature at their next Sitting for Allowance and Payment.

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be directed to pay one Year's Intereſt to the Holders on the Notes given by the ſaid Maſkell Ewing, in Virtue of the before mentioned and recited Reſolutions, as the ſame becomes due, in like Manner as on the Notes iſſued by Silas Condict, late Commiſſioner.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Blair do carry the ſaid Reſolutions to the Council for Concurrence.

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be directed to pay to Enos Kelſey, Eſquire, late Clothier to this State, out of any unappropriated Money in his Hands, the Sum of £. 29 9 3¼, being the Balance due to him on Settlement of his Accounts with the State.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Blair do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for defraying ſundry Incidental Charges' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

Mr. Blair reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Peck.

'Council-Chamber, November 6, 1787.

'THE Council having taken the Reſolution of the Houſe of Aſſembly into 'Conſideration, relative to appointing Maſkell Ewing a Commiſſioner, &c. 'in the Place of James Mott, Eſquire, &c.

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do concur therein.'

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Peck do wait upon the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to raiſe Four Thouſand Pounds for the "Support of the Government of the State of New-Jerſey, and other contin-

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" gent Expences thereof;" and the Bill, intitled, " An Act to aſcertain what " ſhall be deemed a ſufficient Diſcharge of Loan-Office Mortgages," are paſſed by ' this Houſe; and that the Houſe concur in the Reſolution reſpecting Directions ' to the Treaſurer to pay to Anthony Broderick one Year's Intereſt on certain ' Certificates.'

Mr. Blair, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of Council on ſuch publick Accounts as ſhould be referred to them during the preſent Seſſion, reported as follows:

THAT there is due to the ſeveral Perſons under written the Sums annexed to their reſpective Names, that is to ſay,

To David Kelly, Eſquire, for the Uſe of Robert Dennis, for a Gun loſt in the five Months Service, £. 2 10 0.

To Peter Wilſon, Eſquire, for the Uſe of Abraham Devoe, for Boarding and Nurſing John Devoe, a wounded Militia Soldier, in 1781, £. 6 4 0.

To Ditto, for the Uſe of James Chapple, for Nurſing, Boarding and Attendance, while ill with his Wounds in 1780, £. 7 16 0.

To Ditto, for the Uſe of John Van-Buren, for Medicine, Attendance and Nurſing of Peter Prindle, State Priſoner, in 1782, £. 3 0 0

To Samuel Stout, for Caſh paid Mary M'Elroy and Robert Long, for nurſing and attending John Stout, a Militia Soldier, who died with the Smallpox whilſt in Service in 1777, £. 6 10 0.

To Doctor James Newell, for Medicine and Attendance on Thomas Cook, Son of William Cook, who was wounded in an Action with the Enemy in 1782, £. 6 0 0.

By Order of the Committee,
SAMUEL OGDEN,
ROBERT BLAIR.

The Houſe having conſidered the ſaid Report,

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be directed and empowered to pay to the Perſons therein named the Sums allowed to them reſpectively.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Davenport do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for their Concurrence.

Mr. Davenport reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Members withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; and, being returned, the Speaker reſumed the Chair.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, ' An Act for defraying ſundry Incidental Charges,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Jones do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council for their Concurrence.

Mr. Jones reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Petition from the Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Knowlton, in the County of Suſſex, reſpecting the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of that County, referred from the laſt Sitting, being read, and no Perſon appearing on Behalf of the Petitioners;

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petition be referred to the next Sitting.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Randolph.

' *Ordered*, Council-Chamber, November 6, 1787.

' THAT Mr. Randolph do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint ' them that the Bill, intitled, " An Act for defraying ſundry Incidental " Charges," is paſſed by this Houſe.'

' THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Accounts of the Trea- ' ſurer, with the Report of the Committee thereon,

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do approve thereof.'

Jonathan Dayton, Eſq. a Member of this Houſe from the County of Eſſex, having been elected to repreſent this State as one of the Members of the Congreſs of the United States;

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do iſſue a Warrant to the Sheriff of the County of Eſſex, requiring him to hold an Election, agreeably to Law, for the Choice of a Repreſentative for the ſaid County in General Aſſembly, in the Room and Place of the ſaid Jonathan Dayton, during the Remainder of the Year.

The Warrant to renew Catharine Piatt's Warrant, for the Half-pay of her late Huſband, was read, approved, and ordered to be ſigned.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Holme do carry the ſaid Warrant to the Council for Concurrence.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Holmes.

'Council-Chamber, November 6, 1787.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Report of the Committee on publick Accounts, with the Reſolution accompanying the ſame,

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do approve of the ſaid Report, and concur in the ſaid Reſolution.'

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning ſeven of the Clock.

## *Wedneſday, November* 7, 1787.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Holme reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Members withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; and, being returned, the Speaker reſumed the Chair.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Martin.

'Council-Chamber, November 6, 1787.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Warrant entitling Catherine Piatt to receive the Amount of her late Huſband's Half-pay,

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do not concur therein.'

The Houſe roſe without Day.

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*TRENTON, Wedneſday, Auguſt* 27, 1788.

PURSUANT to a ſpecial Summons of the Honourable the Speaker, the following Members met, to wit,

Mr. SPEAKER,

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| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Cook, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Kitchel, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Starke, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Sheppard, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Burgin, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Hankinſon, |
| Mr. Kelley, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Longſtreet. |
| Mr. Smith, | Mr. Houghton, | |
| Mr. Jones, | Mr. Anderſon, | |

*Ordered*, That Mr. Wade do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the Houſe of Aſſembly have this Day met, and proceeded to Buſineſs.

*Reſolved*, That David Righter be Doorkeeper to the Houſe during the preſent Sitting.

John

John Condict, Esq. returned as one of the Representatives for the County of Essex, in the Stead of Jonathan Dayton, Esquire, attended, and produced the Certificate of his Election, which was read, approved and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly sworn by the Speaker, he took his Seat in the House.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Thursday, August* 28, 1788.

The House met.

Messrs. Wilson, Boyd, Outwater, Garritse and Stillwell, attended and took their Seats.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haring.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, August 27, 1788.

'THAT Mr. Haring do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint 'them that a sufficient Number of Members of this House have met, and 'proceeded to Business.'

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Sheppard and Wade be a Committee to prepare and present a Bill for defraying incidental Charges.

A Petition from Nicholas Bellville, setting forth that he was born in Parts beyond the Seas, and without the Allegiance of this State, was read, praying an Act of Naturalization, and that he may have Leave to present a Bill for that Purpose.

*Ordered*, That he have Leave to present a Bill.

A Memorial from the chosen Freeholders of the County of Burlington, praying that a Law may pass to compel the Justices of the several Counties to attend their Duty agreeably to Law, at the Meeting of the Justices and Freeholders, or to make valid the Business done by the chosen Freeholders when so met, was read, and committed to Messrs. Van-Cleve, Douglass and Smith, to bring in a Bill to answer the Prayer of the said Petition.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Township of Gloucester, in the County of Gloucester, praying a Law may pass to direct their Highways to be repaired by Hire; also a Petition against the same, were read,

*Ordered*, That they lie on the Table.

A Representation and Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Townships of Evesham, Chester and Waterford, in the Counties of Burlington and Gloucester, was read, setting forth the baneful Consequences of the too frequent Use of spirituous Liquors, and desiring that Shopkeepers may not be permitted to retail them without License; also that a heavy Excise may be laid on Rum, &c. whereupon,

*Ordered*, That such Parts thereof as may be proper for the Cognizance of the Legislature be referred to the next Session.

A Petition from Elijah Burdsall and others, Inhabitants of Burlington County, praying a Law may pass to prevent any Person from floating or drawing off their Ponds for the Purpose of rafting, after the 15th Day of April, and until the first of September, yearly and every Year, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The House met.

The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from the Secretary of the late Convention, accompanied with a Copy of the Minutes of the said Convention; which

which Letter was read, and the ſaid Minutes ordered to be preſerved among the Papers of this Houſe.

Mr. Wilſon, agreeably to Leave given at the laſt Sitting, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to incorporate, within this State, the Mini-'ſter, Elders and Deacons, of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, of the 'Town of Orange, in Orange County;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from Cornelius Hennion, of the County of Bergen, ſetting forth, that, while he was a Captain in the Army of the United States, he was wounded; that, in conſequence thereof, he was allowed a Penſion, amounting to one Quarter of his Pay; and praying that the ſame may be augmented to Half-pay; was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Several Petitions from the Counties of Hunterdon, Monmouth and Burlington, praying that the Legiſlature would take ſuch Meaſures as may prevent the further Depreciation of the Paper Money of this State, were read, and committed to Meſſrs. Outwater, Wade, Bonney, Stillwell, Blair, Smith, Davenport, Sinnickſon, R. Townſend, Van-Cleve, Kitchel, Sheppard and Hankinſon, to report their Opinion thereon to the Houſe.

A Memorial from Alexander Stewart, of Morris County, ſetting forth that he was taken a Priſoner by the Britiſh Army in the Year 1776 at Quebeck, and detained as ſuch until the Year 1784; that he never received any Pay or Compenſation for his Time and Expences; and praying that he may be allowed for the ſame; was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

*Friday, Auguſt* 29, 1788.

The Houſe met.

A Petition from Heſſel Peterſo, Collector of Acquackanunck, in the County of Eſſex, ſetting forth that he was robbed of Twenty-two Pounds Two Shillings and Six-pence, publick Money in his Hands, on the Night of the 30th of November laſt; and the ſame being ſufficiently aſcertained and certified to this Houſe to be true,

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be directed to credit the Collector of the County of Eſſex for the Sum of Twenty-two Pounds Two Shillings and Six-pence, publick Money, taken by Robbers from Heſſel Peterſo, Collector of Acquackanunck; and that the County Collector do credit the ſaid Heſſel Peterſo for the like Sum.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Wilſon do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

A Repreſentation and Petition from Richard Green, Benjamin Green and others, ſetting forth their Situation reſpecting an Iſland in Delaware River, called Huff's Iſland, and praying the Attention of the Legiſlature thereto, was read and diſmiſſed.

A Petition from the Managers and a Petition from ſundry Owners and Poſſeſſors of the Bank, Marſh and Toll-Bridge, on Newton Creek, praying an Amendment to the Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of the Meadows on ſaid Creek to dam out the Waters thereof, were read,

*Ordered*, That they have Leave to preſent a Bill to anſwer the Prayer of their Petitions.

A Petition from the Owners of Meadow and Swamp, ſituate in the Townſhip

of Lower-Penn's-Neck, in the County of Salem, praying a Law may paſs to enable them to erect a Bank, Dam and Waterworks, the better to improve their Meadows, was read,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to preſent a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition, at the next Sitting, previouſly advertiſing the Purport of the Bill they mean to preſent, and a Copy of this Order, at leaſt three Weeks in three of the moſt publick Places in the Townſhip where the ſaid Meadow lies.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Monmouth, ſetting forth the Difficulties the County and Townſhip Collectors labour under with Reſpect to the Payment of the Intereſt upon the reſpective Duplicates delivered to them, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Monmouth, ſetting forth Abuſes in the Iſſuing and Proceedings on Writs of Certiorari, and praying the Attention of the Legiſlature thereto, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

A Meſſage from his Excellency the Governor, by Mr. Secretary Reed, accompanied with the following Papers, to wit:

11 October, 1787. No. 1. Reſolution of Congreſs reſpecting our foreign and domeſtick Debts.

1 November, 1787. No. 2. Taxes—State of New-Jerſey Account Current with the United States.

5 November, 1787. No. 3. Journal of Congreſs from 5th November 1787 to Auguſt 1788.

25 December, 1787, No. 4. Journal of the Proceedings of the Convention of Georgia.

20 February, 1788, No. 5. Letter from his Excellency Governor Handley of Georgia accompanying the ſame.

17 May, 1788. No. 6. Letter from the Secretary for foreign Affairs, with a Copy of an Act of his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty's Council of State, for the Encouragement of the Commerce of France with the United States of America, 29 December, 1787.

22 May, 1788. No. 7. Reſolution of Congreſs reſpecting thoſe who have been entruſted with publick Monies, and whoſe Accounts are ſtill unſettled.

24 May, 1788. No. 8. Circular Letter from his Excellency Governor Pinckney, notifying the Ratification by the Convention of South-Carolina of the Conſtitution propoſed for the Government of the United States by the Federal Convention.

May, 1788. No. 9. Repreſentation in Congreſs for the Month of May 1788.

25 June, 1788. No. 10. Proceedings of the Convention of Virginia.

28 June, 1788. No. 11. Letter from Preſident Pendleton accompanying the ſame.

9 July, 1788. No. 12. A Supplement to an Ordinance of Congreſs, intitled, an Ordinance for aſcertaining the Mode of conveying Lands in the Weſtern Territory.

26 July, 1788. No. 13. Circular Letter from his Excellency Governor Clinton, with the Ratification of the New Conſtitution by the Convention of the State of New-York.

20 Auguſt, 1788. No. 14. Requiſition of Congreſs for the Year 1788.

25 Auguſt, 1788. No. 15. Circular Letter from Mr. Secretary Thomſon accompanying the ſame.

Which ſaid Meſſage, and the Papers accompanying the ſame, were read,

*Ordered*, That the Papers marked in the foregoing Liſt, No. 1, No. 2, No, 14, and No. 15, be read a ſecond Time.

*Ordered*, That the Papers in the ſaid Liſt marked, No. 3, No. 4, No. 5, No. 6, No. 7, No. 8, No. 9, No. 10, No. 11, No. 12, and No. 13, be delivered to the Council by Mr. Wilſon.

A Petition from Joſeph King, of the County of Morris, ſetting forth that he contracted with Thomas Millidge for a Tract of Land in ſaid County, and paid Part of the Purchaſe Money; that he never received a Deed for the ſame; that the ſaid Millidge's Property was confiſcated; and praying that, on his paying the Balance due the State to the Agent of Morris County, the ſaid Agent may be directed to give him a Deed for the ſame, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Wilſon, agreeably to Leave given at the laſt Sitting, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act for incorporating 'a Seminary for the Education of Youth in New-Barbados, in the County of 'Bergen, by the Name of the Federal Academy of the County of Bergen;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Saturday, Auguſt* 30, 1788.

The Houſe met.

On Motion,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners for an Amendment to the Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of the Meadows on Newton Creek, to ſtop out the ſame, give at leaſt Fifteen Days Notice to Samuel Harriſon, and advertiſe their Intentions of applying to the Legiſlature, with a Copy of the Orders thereof, at the Toll-Bridge, the publick Houſe at Glouceſter, and one of the Coopers' Ferries.

Mr. Wilſon reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Petition from Joſeph King was read a ſecond Time, and diſmiſſed.

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer pay to Aaron Dunham, Eſq. Auditor, the Sum of Twenty-ſix Pounds Seven Shillings and Six-pence, in full of his Account for the Hire of Clerks; and his Receipt for the ſame ſhall be a ſufficient Voucher for the Payment of ſo much Money.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Boyd do carry the ſame to the Council for Concurrence.

The Repreſentation and Petition of Elijah Burdſall and others, Inhabitants of Burlington County, praying a Law may paſs to prevent any Perſon from floating or drawing off their Ponds for the Purpoſe of rafting, &c. was read a ſecond Time,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to preſent a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition, on the ſecond Thurſday of the next Seſſion, upon advertiſing the Purport thereof, at three of the moſt publick Places in the Neighbourhood, at leaſt three Weeks previous thereto.

Mr. Combs attended and took his Seat; and, having rendered to the Houſe

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an Excuſe for his Non-Attendance before this Time, the ſame was deemed ſatisfactory.

Mr. Outwater, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petitions from Hunterdon, Glouceſter and Burlington Counties, reſpecting the Paper Currency of this State, reported as follows:

THAT, in their Opinion, it is proper,

Firſt, That no Monies be re-loaned,

Second, That what Monies may be paid forward to the Treaſury, as of the Principal due upon the different Loan-Office Mortgages by the Loan-Officers of the State, ſhould, by a Committee of both Houſes, be examined, burnt and deſtroyed.

Third, That the Mortgagers be permitted to pay into the Loan-Office any Sum not leſs than one-fifth Part of their reſpective Mortgages at any Period of Time when the Principal of the ſaid Mortgages are made receivable.

Fourth, That the unappropriated Intereſt of the Loan-Office Money ſhould alſo be paid forward by the Loan-Officers to the Treaſurer, to be in like Manner burnt and deſtroyed.

By the unanimous Order of the Committee,

JOHN OUTWATER, Chairman.

To which Report the Houſe agreed.

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Report be committed to Meſſrs. Davenport, Jones, Wilſon, Sinnickſon and Wade, to report a Bill agreeably thereto.

A Petition from Job Lippencott, praying that a Law may paſs to confirm an Eſtate left by his Father to him, notwithſtanding the Omiſſon of the Words *Heirs and Aſſigns* in the Deviſe, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition from Roeloff Hagaman, praying a Confirmation of the Teſtament and Laſt Will of his Father Andrew Hagaman, notwithſtanding the Want of three Witneſſes, it having only two ſubſcribing Witneſſes thereto, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Cape-May, praying Leave to preſent a Bill to enable ſundry Perſons, Subſcribers, to erect a Bridge and Cauſeway over the Creek called Cedar Swamp Creek, and through the Marſh adjoining the ſame, was read; alſo a Petition from John Baker, Manager of a Bridge already built on ſaid Creek, in Oppoſition thereto, was alſo read;

*Ordered*, That the firſt mentioned Petitioners have Leave to preſent a Bill at the next Seſſion advertiſing the Purport of the Bill they mean to preſent, and a Copy of this Order, in three of the moſt publick Places in the upper Precinct, in the ſaid County of Cape-May, for at leaſt three Weeks previous thereto.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Eſſex and Townſhip of Newark, praying that a Law may paſs to raiſe an uniform volunteer Company at Orange Dale, in ſaid Townſhip, was read, and a Petition from the Militia Officers of the ſaid Place, in Oppoſition thereto, was alſo read, and ordered to be referred to the next Seſſion.

A Petition from Jonathan Lippencott, accompanied with an Account againſt the State, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition from Joſhua Winans, of the County of Eſſex, was read, ſetting forth that he became bound in a Bond as Security for Money to Samuel Wood, on Account of David Oliver, who afterwards joined the Britiſh Troops, and his Eſtate became forfeited to this State, ſince which he has been proſecuted for, and has been obliged to pay the Sum of One Hundred and Ninety-one Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Nine-pence, and praying that the Legiſlature will direct the Payment

Payment of the ſame to him, out of the Proceeds of the Eſtate of the ſaid David Oliver, in the Hands of the Treaſurer, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from the Inhabitants of the Town of Woodbury, in the County of Glouceſter, praying that a Law may paſs to authorize them to build a Market-Houſe by Subſcription, in the main Street of the ſaid Town, was read,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to preſent a Bill to anſwer the Prayer of the ſaid Petition.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

A Petition from Joſeph Ellis, Eſq. was read, ſetting forth that he purchaſed from the Commiſſioners of forfeited Eſtates, in the County of Glouceſter, a Part of the Eſtate of John Hinchman, then a Fugitive with the Enemy, for which he paid Three Thouſand One Hundred Pounds; that the Heirs of William Royden had, in an Action of Ejectment, recovered the Poſſeſſion of the ſame; and praying the Legiſlature will grant him ſome Relief; was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Petition from Middleſex County, praying that a Law may be paſſed to direct the Meeting of the Legiſlature, and that the Supreme Court may be alternately held at Perth-Amboy and Burlington; alſo the ſeveral Petitions from different Parts of the State, praying that the Supreme Court may be alternately held at Burlington and New-Brunſwick; and a Petition from the Majority of the Board of Juſtices and Freeholders of the County of Middleſex on the ſame Subject, were read,

On Motion of Mr. Douglaſs, ſeconded by Mr. Biddle,

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Jones, Wilſon and Douglaſs, be a Committee to preſent a Bill to anſwer the Prayer of the ſaid Petitions.

Mr. Davenport, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of the Petitioners, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize the Inhabitants 'of the Townſhip of Deptford, in the County of Glouceſter, to build a Market-'Houſe in the main Street of the Town of Woodbury;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned till Monday Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Monday, September* 1, 1788.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Davenport, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to allow the Payment of certain Loan-'Office Monies into the Treaſury, and to provide for cancelling the ſame,' which was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Paper accompanying his Excellency's Meſſage of the 29th of Auguſt laſt, marked No. 14, containing the Requiſition of Congreſs for the Year 1788, was read a ſecond Time; whereupon,

A Motion was made by Mr. Clark, ſeconded by Mr. Biddle, that a Committee be appointed to bring forward a Bill for complying with the Requiſition of Congreſs of the 20th of Auguſt, 1788; on the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Motion? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Wilſon, | Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Biddle, |
| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Smith, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Jones, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Clark, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| | | | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| | | | Mr. Anderſon, |
| | | | Mr. Burgin, |

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Requiſition be referred to the next Seſſion.

Mr. Boyd reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the County of Burlington was read, praying that a Law may be paſſed to prevent the Deſtruction of Cranberries;

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petition be read a ſecond Time.

Mr. Douglaſs, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to alter the Place, and aſcertain the Times, 'of holding the Supreme Court of Judicature of this State, and directing the 'future Meetings of the Legiſlature;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Davenport, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An 'Act to authorize the Governor of the State, for the Time being, to commiſ-'ſion Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, in the re-'ſpective Counties within the ſame;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from John Rattoon and others, praying an Amendment to the Law for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns, which was referred to this Sitting, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Certificate of Half-pay, adjudged by the Court of Quarter Seſſions of the Peace for the County of Monmouth, in Favour of Rebecca Murry, the Widow of Joſeph Murry, deceaſed, late a Soldier in Lieutenant Hendrickſon's Company of Militia of ſaid County, and who was killed while in the Service of the United States, was read and approved;

*Ordered*, That a Warrant do iſſue in Favour of the ſaid Rebecca Murry, for the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month, from the 8th Day of June 1780, for and during her Widowhood.

A Certificate of Half-pay, adjudged by the Court of Quarter Seſſions of the Peace for the County of Monmouth, in Favour of Sarah the Widow of John Farr, deceaſed, late a Soldier in Captain Huddy's Company of Militia of ſaid County, and who was killed while in the Service of the United States, was read and approved;

*Ordered*, That a Warrant do iſſue in Favour of the ſaid Sarah Farr, for the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month, from the 24th Day of March 1782, being the Amount of her late Huſband's Half-pay, and to draw the ſame from the Treaſurer quarterly during her Widowhood.

A Certificate of Half-pay, adjudged by the Court of Quarter Seſſions of the Peace for the County of Monmouth, in Favour of the Child of Charity, the Widow of Lambert Johnſon, who died while a Priſoner with the Enemy in April 1777, was read and approved;

*Ordered*, That a Warrant do iſſue in Favour of the ſaid Child of Charity, the Widow of Lambert Johnſon, for the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month,

Month, from the 15th Day of January 1778 until the ſaid Child ſhall attain to the Age of eight Years.

A Certificate of Half-pay, adjudged by the Court of Quarter Seſſions for the County of Morris, in Favour of Hannah Cobb, late Hannah Price, the Widow of Samuel Price, who was drowned while in the Service of the United States, was read and approved;

*Ordered*, That a Warrant do iſſue in Favour of the ſaid Hannah Cobb, late Hannah Price, for the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month, being the Amount of her late Huſband's Half-pay, from the firſt November 1780 to the firſt November 1783.

Mr. Smith, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intititled, 'An Act to legalize the Proceedings of the choſen Freeholders, together with One of the Judges of the ſeveral Counties within this State, at their uſual and ſtated Meetings, Adjournments, or when called together by the Juſtices for any publick Purpoſes, without the Attendance of 'the ſaid Juſtices;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Cooper attended, and, having rendered to the Houſe an Excuſe for his Non-Attendance before this Time, the ſame was ſatisfactory.

A Petition from Samuel Cooper and Daniel Cooper, and a Petition from Joſhua Cooper, were read, praying that ſo much of the Law of this State as requires the Proprietors of the Ferries oppoſite Philadelphia to take out and pay for a Licenſe to keep ſaid Ferries may be repealed; alſo a Petition from John Rattoon, praying that the ſaid Law may be altered or repealed as far as reſpects the Ferry at South-Amboy, was read;

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petitions be committed to Meſſrs. Cooper, Davenport and Douglaſs, to report a Bill to anſwer the Prayer of their Petitions.

A Petition and Memorial from Frederick William Baron de Steuben was read, ſetting forth the Situation of the Property at the New-Bridge, in the County of Bergen, granted to him during his Reſidence in the United States, by the State of New-Jerſey, ſhewing Inconveniencies attending ſuch a Tenure, and praying that Meaſures may be taken by the Legiſlature for his Relief;

*Ordered*, That he have Leave to preſent a Bill to anſwer his Wiſhes on this Subject.

The Petition from Joſeph Ellis, Eſquire, read on Saturday laſt, was read a ſecond Time, and committed to Meſſrs. Sinnickſon, Clark and Anderſon, to report their Opinion thereon to the Houſe.

A Petition from the Commiſſioners appointed for building a Bridge over Coopers' Creek and other Bridges, was read, ſetting forth the Propriety of Joſhua Cooper's being taxed with the other Proprietors of Ferries, and to pay a Proportion of the Expence of building the ſaid Bridges, was read,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to preſent a Bill at the next Sitting, giving Joſhua Cooper at leaſt fifteen days Notice of the Time when they mean to preſent their Bill, that he may make Oppoſition thereto if he chooſes.

A Petition from Jechonias Wood, of the County of Salem, praying that the Surveyors of the Roads may not be permitted to alter the Width of the Road through Woodſtown, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Peck.

' *Council-Chamber*, *September* 1, 1788.

' THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Reſolution from the ' Houſe of Aſſembly relative to directing the Treaſurer to pay to Aaron ' Dunham, Eſquire, Auditor, the Sum of Twenty-ſix Pounds Seven Shillings ' and Six-pence, in full of his Account for the Hire of Clerks, &c.

' *Reſolved*, That the Houſe do concur therein.'

The Petition from a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of Monmouth was read a ſecond Time,

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Petition be committed to Meſſrs. Sinnickſon, Wade and Stillwell; that they enquire into the Circumſtances complained of in ſaid Petition; and that they report their Opinion to the Houſe.

A Petition from Thomas Cullen and Sarah Gale, confined in the Gaol of Trenton, praying to be liberated by an Act of Inſolvency, was read, and ordered to be diſmiſſed.

The Bill, intitled, ' An Act for incorporating a Seminary for the Education ' of Youth in New-Barbados, in the County of Bergen, by the Name of the Fe- ' deral Academy of the County of Bergen,' was read a ſecond Time, and the Conſideration thereof poſtponed.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Tueſday, September* 2, 1788.

The Houſe met.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Wilſon have Leave of Abſence during the Remainder of the preſent Sitting.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, ' An Act to repeal certain Parts of the Act, intitled, ' An Act for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns; as alſo ' the Supplement thereto;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Davenport, agreeably to Leave given, and in Behalf of the Petitioner, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, ' An Act to veſt in Major General Ba- ' ron de Steuben, a certain forfeited Eſtate, lying in the County of Bergen; and ' to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Memorial of Zachariah Price, of the County of Suſſex, was read, praying that the Legiſlature would order the Treaſurer to reimburſe him Monies he has been obliged to pay for Joſeph Barton, late of ſaid County, whoſe Eſtate has been confiſcated to this State, and the Money thence ariſing paid into the Treaſury;

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner have Leave to preſent a Reſolution for his Relief.

The Bill, intitled, ' An Act to allow the Payment of certain Loan-Office Mo- ' nies into the Treaſury, and to provide for cancelling the ſame,' was read a ſe- cond Time: On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the Proviſo to the firſt Section of the ſaid Bill, in the Words following, to wit:

Provided always, That Nothing ſhall be received in Diſcharge of the Whole or any Part of the Principal of any Mortgage as aforeſaid, other than the Bills emitted purſuant to the before-recited Act, or Gold and Silver, any Thing contained in the Act, intitled, ' An Act for ſtriking and making current One Hun- ' dred Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and directing ' the Mode for ſinking the ſame,' and the Act, intitled, ' An Act to aſcertain ' what

'what ſhall be deemed a ſufficient Diſcharge of Loan-Office Mortgages,' to the contrary notwithſtanding? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Biddle, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Little, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Smith, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Jones, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| | | | Mr. Burgin. |

A Motion was made by Mr. Sinnickſon, ſeconded by Mr. Smith, to add the following Section to the ſaid Bill as the third Section, to wit,

And be it Enacted, that from and after the firſt Tueſday in January, in the Year 1789, it ſhall be lawful for the Commiſſioners of the ſeveral Loan-Officers in this State, and they are hereby required and directed, to receive from any Inhabitant of this State, the Amount of the Principal and Intereſt of any undiſcharged Mortgage in Money aforeſaid, and to pay the ſame forward into the Treaſury of this State, in order that the ſame may in Manner aforeſaid be cancelled and deſtroyed; and alſo to give to the Perſon, ſo paying the Money, a Certificate of ſuch Payment, expreſſing therein on what Mortgage the ſame has been paid, together with the Time of Payment; which Certificate ſhall entitle the Perſon to whom the ſame ſhall be given, or his lawful Repreſentative, to demand and receive from the ſaid Commiſſioners the Intereſt which ſhall thereafter become due on ſuch Mortgage, and the Whole of the Principal, or any Part thereof, which may at any Time be paid by the Mortgagor in Diſcharge of ſaid Mortgage: On the Queſtion, whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Section? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Little, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Biddle, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Smith, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Jones, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Whilden. |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Houghton, | | |

A Motion was made by Mr. Biddle, ſeconded by Mr. Davenport, to inſert in the ſaid Bill the following Section, to wit:

Be it further Enacted, that the Paper Currency, iſſued purſuant to any Law in this State, ſhall not be a legal Tender to diſcharge any Debt expreſsly contracted to be paid in any other Kind of Property:

On the Queſtion, whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Section, It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Biddle, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Little, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Smith, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Jones, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Houghton, | | Mr. Whilden, |
| | | | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| | | | Mr. R. Townſend. |

*Ordered*, That the further Conſideration thereof be poſtponed.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Randolph.

' Council-Chamber, September 2, 1788.

' THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Reſolution from the Houſe ' of Aſſembly, relative to directing the Treaſurer to credit the County ' Collector of the County of Eſſex with the Sum of Twenty-two Pounds Two ' Shillings and Six-pence, publick Money, taken from Heſſel Peterſo by Rob- ' bers, &c.

' *Reſolved*, That the Houſe diſagree to the ſaid Reſolution.'

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

The Warrants entitling Hannah Cobb, Rebecca Murry and Sarah Farr, to draw their late Huſbands Half-pay, was read, approved and ordered to be ſigned.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Combs do carry the ſaid Warrants to Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Combs reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Hankinſon, in Behalf of the Petitioner, and agreeably to Leave given, preſented the Draught of a Reſolution, as follows:

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be, and he is hereby authorized to iſſue a Certificate agreeably to the Act paſſed December 23, 1783, for aſcertaining the Value of Debts due from the forfeited Eſtates of certain Fugitives and Offenders, and for directing the Payment of the ſame, unto Zachariah Price, for the Sum of Eighty Pounds Ten Shillings and Eight-pence, with Intereſt from this Day, being the Amount of the Debt, Intereſt and Coſts, of what was received from the ſaid Price upon a Bond given by him and Joſeph Barton to Joſeph Sharp, and aſſigned by the ſaid Sharp to Simeon Phillips, upon which Bond the ſaid Zachariah Price was Security for ſaid Barton, if ſo much Money from the Sales of the confiſcated Eſtate of the ſaid Joſeph Barton, a late Fugitive with the Enemy, remains in his Office, but if not, then as much of the ſaid Eſtate as ſhall be in the Treaſury.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Stillwell do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

A Petition from Peter Noe, Owner of the Ferry at the New Blazing Star, was read, praying that a Suit that was inſtituted againſt him by the Treaſurer, for the Penalty in not taking a Licenſe to tend the ſaid Ferry in due Time, may be ſtopped; and that the Law compelling Ferrymen to take Licenſes may be repealed, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe reſumed the Conſideration of the Bill, intitled, ' An Act to allow ' the Payment of certain Loan-Office Monies into the Treaſury, and to provide ' for cancelling the ſame:' An Amendment was moved for the Title of the ſaid Bill, to read as follows: An Act to amend an Act for ſtriking and making current

rent One Hundred Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and directingthe Mode for ſinking the ſame, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned. To which the Houſe agreed.

The Houſe, having gone through the ſaid Bill,

*Ordered*, That the ſame be engroſſed.

The Petition from Joſhua Winans, of the County of Eſſex, read on the 30th Ultimo, was read a ſecond Time, and committed to Meſſrs. Wade and Van-Cleve, to report their Opinion thereon to the Houſe.

Mr. Anderſon, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Colonel Joſeph Ellis, reported as follows:

THAT on examining the Law, and conſidering the Facts ſtated in the ſaid Petition, your Committee are of Opinion, that, as this State was not veſted with a better Eſtate than John Hinchman had at the Time of his Forfeiture, the Commiſſioner could legally ſell no other.

JOHN ANDERSON.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Wedneſday, September* 3, 1788.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Van-Cleve, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joſhua Winans, reported the following Reſolution, to wit:

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be, and he is hereby authorized to iſſue a Certificate, agreeably to the Act paſſed December 23, 1783, for aſcertaining the Value of Debts due from the forfeited Eſtates of certain Fugitives and Offenders, and for directing the Payment of the ſame unto Joſhua Winans, for the Sum of One Hundred and Thirty-ſix Pounds Twelve Shillings and Two-pence, being the Amount of the Debt, Intereſt and Coſts, of what was recovered from the ſaid Joſhua Winans upon a Bond given by him to Samuel Wood, upon which Bond the ſaid Joſhua Winans was Security for David Oliver, if ſo much Money from the Sales of the confiſcated Eſtate of the ſaid David Oliver, a late Fugitive with the Enemy, remains in his Office; but if not, then as much of the ſaid Eſtate as ſhall be in the Hands of the Treaſurer.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Bunn do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Houſe being informed that the Indiſpoſition of the preſent Speaker renders it neceſſary that a new one ſhould be appointed; whereupon,

The Honourable John Sheppard, Eſquire, was unanimouſly choſen.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Bunn do wait upon Council, and inform them of the ſaid Appointment.

Mr. Stillwell reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Hall attended and took his Seat in the Houſe; and, having rendered his Reaſons for Non-Attendance, the ſame were deemed ſatisfactory.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to amend an Act for ſtriking and making current One Hundred Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and directing the Mode for ſinking the ſame, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Little, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Blair, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Kelly, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Starke, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Hankinſon, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Longſtreet. |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Kitchel, | |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Burgin. | |
| Mr. Bunn, | | | |

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Bunn do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Bunn reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

A Petition from George Hyde, confined in the Gaol of Hunterdon County for Debt, praying that a Law may be paſſed to releaſe him from his Confinement, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition from Anthony Broderick, ſetting forth his peculiar Situation with Reſpect to Debts by him contracted for the Publick during the late War, and praying that on the Certificates due him the Legiſlature would make ſome Proviſion for the Payment of, or direct ſome Mode whereby he may receive the back Intereſt due him, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal certain Parts of the Act, intitled, An 'Act for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns, as alſo the 'Supplement thereto, was read a ſecond Time :' A Motion was made to refer the ſaid Bill to the next Sitting ; on the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Motion? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Wade, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Burgin. |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Clark, | |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Beardſlee, | | |
| Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Longſtreet. | | |

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to alter the Place, and for aſcertaining the Times 'of holding the Supreme Court of Judicature of this State, and directing the 'future Meetings of the Legiſlature,' was read a ſecond Time ; on the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the Title of the ſaid Bill? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Little, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Stillwell, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Clark, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Cooper, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | | | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| | | | Mr. Van-Cleve, |
| | | | Mr. Houghton, |
| | | | Mr. Anderſon, |
| | | | Mr. Burgin, |
| | | | Mr. Beardſlee. |

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be committed to Meſſrs. Combs, Wade and Davenport.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize the Inhabitants of the Townſhip of 'Deptford, in the County of Glouceſter, to build a Market-Houſe in the main 'Street of the Town of Woodbury,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

The Petition from Anthony Broderick was read a ſecond Time, and committed to Meſſrs. Jones, Condict, Kitchel, Van-Cleve and Boyd, to report their Opinion thereon to the Houſe.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of certain 'Meadows lying on Salem Creek, in the Townſhip of Mannington, in the 'County of Salem, to make and maintain a Bank, Dams and other Water-'works, in order to prevent the Tide from overflowing, and to drain the ſame,' was read the ſecond Time, and the Petitions for and againſt the ſame were alſo read, and the ſaid Bill debated by Paragraphs, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of the Mea-'dows and Swamps, lying on the Rivers Paſſaick, Rockaway and Whippanung, 'between the Little Falls and Chatham, to remove the Obſtructions therein,' was read a ſecond Time, and ordered to be engroſſed.

A Petition from Gozen Ryerſs and Thomas Quigley, Proprietors of the Elizabeth-Town Ferry, praying that the Law compelling Proprietors of Ferries to take out Licenſe to authorize them to attend the ſaid Ferries, may be repealed as far as relates to their Ferry, was read, and referred to the next Sitting, to be read with the Bill to repeal ſaid Law.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the State, of the Seventh Day Baptiſt Society, praying that a Law may paſs to permit thoſe who, on Account of their religious Principles, keep the ſeventh Day of the Week, to follow their uſual Labour on the firſt Day of the Week.

*Ordered*, That they have Leave to preſent a Bill agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition at the next Seſſion.

Mr. Kitchel, with Leave, preſented the following Reſolution:

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer pay unto Heſſel Peterſo the Sum of Twenty-two Pounds Two Shillings and Six-pence, lawful Money, to compenſate him for the Loſs of publick Money he has ſuſtained, and for his Diligence and Attention in taking up and bringing to a legal Trial Aaron Done, a notorious Horſe Thief and Robber, who had robbed him of that Sum of publick Money, and

the Receipt of the ſaid Heſſel Peterſo ſhall be a ſufficient Voucher to the Treaſurer for the Expenditure of ſo much Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Hall do wait upon the Council with the ſaid Reſolution, and requeſt their Concurrence therein.

A Petition from ſeveral Perſons intereſted in the Swamp and Cripples, included in the Drains made in Purſuance of a Law, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Own-'ers of Marſh, lying on the Weſt Branch of Stow Creek,' &c. was read, praying the Liberty of bringing in a Bill, to make the future Aſſeſſments on the Premiſes in the ſaid Act according to Quantity and Quality; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to preſent a Bill at the next Seſſion, upon advertiſing their Intention in three of the moſt publick Places in the Neighbourhood, with a Copy of this Order, for at leaſt two Weeks previouſly thereto.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Holmes.

'*Council-Chamber*, *September* 3, 1788.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Reſolution from the Houſe 'of Aſſembly, relative to authorizing the Treaſurer to iſſue a Certificate to 'Zachariah Price, for the Sum of Eighty Pounds Ten Shillings and Eight-pence, 'and alſo a Certificate to Joſhua Winans, for the Sum of One Hundred and Thir-'ty-ſix Pounds Twelve Shillings and Two-pence, &c.

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe agree to the ſaid Reſolutions.'

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Holmes do carry to the Houſe of Aſſembly the Bill, intitled, '"An Act for the Direction of Judges, in taxing of Coſts for perpetuating "Evidence, and to repeal the Act, intitled, An Act for regulating and ſhortening "the Proceedings in the Courts of Law," and requeſt their Concurrence therein;'

Which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from John Halſted, of the County of Middleſex, referring to the Report of Meſſrs. Dayton, Combs and Marſh, of the 1ſt June 1787, was read, and committed to Meſſrs. Combs, Wade and Whilden.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to veſt in Major General Baron de Steuben, a 'certain forfeited Eſtate, lying in the County of Bergen, and to repeal two cer-'tain Acts therein mentioned,' was read a ſecond Time, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize the Governor of the State, for the 'Time being, to commiſſion Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol 'Delivery, in the reſpective Counties within the ſame,' was read a ſecond Time, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize the Inhabitants of the 'Townſhip of Deptford, in the County of Glouceſter, to build a Market-Houſe 'in the main Street of the Town of Woodbury,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Outwater, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Bonney, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Douglaſs, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Blair, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Biddle, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Whilden, |
| | | | Mr. Van-Cleve. |

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Biddle do carry the ſaid Bill to Council for Concurrence.

Mr.

Mr. Biddle reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Thurſday, September* 4, 1788.

The Houſe met.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of 'certain Meadows lying on Salem Creek, in the Townſhip of Mannington, in the 'County of Salem, to make and maintain a Bank, Dams and other Waterworks, 'in order to prevent the Tide from overflowing, and to drain the ſame,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Outwater, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Garritſe, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Bonney, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Douglaſs, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Stillwell, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Bunn, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Kelly, |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Beardſlee. | Mr. Smith, |
| | | | Mr. Davenport, |
| | | | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| | | | Mr. Starke, |
| | | | Mr. Longſtreet. |

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to veſt in Major General Baron de 'Steuben, a certain forfeited Eſtate, lying in the County of Bergen, and to re-'peal two certain Acts therein mentioned,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Garritſe, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Combs, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Bunn, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Anderſon | Mr. Blair, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Burgin, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Hankinſon, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Beardſlee. |

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of the 'Meadows and Swamp, lying on the Rivers Paſſaick, Rockaway and Whippanung, 'between the Little Falls and Chatham, to remove the Obſtructions therein,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Outwater, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Bonney, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Douglaſs, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Smith. |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Kitchel, | |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Starke, | |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Burgin, | |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Beardſlee, | |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Longſtreet. | |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. R. Townſend, | | |

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſaid Bills.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Davenport do carry the ſaid Bills to the Council for their Concurrence.

' The engroſſed Bill, intitled, ' An Act to authorize the Governor of the State, ' for the Time being, to commiſſion Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and Gene- ' ral Gaol Delivery, in the reſpective Counties within the ſame,' was read and compared,

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Davenport do carry the ſaid Bill to Council for Concurrence.

Two Petitions from ſundry Inhabitants of Cumberland County, praying that the Election Law may be altered, ſo that the Votes in that County may be taken by Ballot inſtead of Viva Voce, was read and referred to the next Sitting.

Mr. Biddle, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, ' An Act ' to raiſe a Revenue from certain Offices, Profeſſions and Occupations;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Letter from the Auditor of Accounts, ſetting forth the Situation of the Accounts of this State with the United States; alſo a Letter from two of the Delegates of this State in the Congreſs of the United States on the ſame Subject; were read, and committed to Meſſrs. Boyd, Kitchel and Sinnickſon.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Combs be added to the Committee appointed to bring in a Bill for defraying incidental Charges.

A Petition from the Preſbyterian Congregation at Shrewſbury, and the Members of the Epiſcopal Congregation at Freehold, praying that a Law may be paſſed to enable them to raiſe Money by Lottery, to repair their Churches, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Sinnickſon, agreeably to Leave given at the laſt Sitting, and in Behalf of the Petitioner, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, ' An Act for veſting ' the Reſidue of the confiſcated Eſtate of John I. Zabriſkie, of the County of ' Bergen, in certain Perſons, for the Uſe of the ſaid John I. Zabriſkie, on the ' Conditions therein mentioned,' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from Philip Plotts, of Greenwich, in the County of Suſſex, Owner of the Ferry from Greenwich to Eaſt-Town, praying, for Reaſons therein ſet forth, that the Penalty inflicted on him by Law, for not taking out a Licenſe to attend the ſaid Ferry in due Time, may be remitted to him, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Davenport reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

The Members withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; and, being returned, the Speaker reſumed the Chair, and then

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Friday, September* 5, 1788.

The Houſe met.

A Petition from James Cromerlin, and Jacob Ten Eyk, for themſelves and in Truſt for the Creditors of John Duyckinck, ſurviving Partner of Evert Duyckinck,

Duyckinck, jun. and the ſaid John Duyckinck, on his own Account, praying a Law may paſs to vacate and ſet aſide the Inquiſition and final Judgment entered againſt the ſaid John Duyckinck, in Behalf of the State, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Oxford, in the County of Suſſex, ſetting forth the Difficulty of collecting Monies from Officers who have been delinquent in paying forward the ſame for Taxes, and praying that a Law may be paſſed to authorize the Sheriff to ſell Lands, and give a good and ſufficient Title on Warrants iſſued by the Chief-Juſtice for the Arrearages of Taxes, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Speaker laid before the Houſe the Report from the Commiſſioner appointed to ſettle and liquidate Claims againſt the State, in the following Words: YOUR Commiſſioner appointed in and by a Reſolution of your honourable Houſes of the ſixth of November laſt, to receive and liquidate all ſuch proper Certificates and Vouchers as might be laid before him on or before the firſt of January laſt, and to iſſue State Notes to the Holders, in Manner directed by the Laws of the State, begs Leave to report,

That, immediately after the Riſing of the Legiſlature, he cauſed publick Notice to be given of his Appointment, not only in the News-Papers of New-Jerſey, which was done agreeably to the Reſolution appointing him, but alſo in all the other News-Papers both in Philadelphia and New-York, in a Paragraph by Way of News; and, that every Information poſſible might be given, cauſed ſeveral hundred Hand-Bills to be ſtruck off by Mr. Collins, and forwarded to the ſeveral Sheriffs in the different Counties of the State.

That after thus giving as extenſive Notice of his Appointment as he poſſibly could, he proceeded to receive Vouchers and certify Claims which appeared to be juſt and reaſonable.

That, in the Courſe of this Buſineſs, a great Number of Vouchers came to him which were certified ſince his Appointment, as appeared by their Dates; others came which appeared to be juſt written, but of a Date five or ſix Years ago, certifying Claims; there was alſo offered to your Commiſſioner a great Number of Accounts for Firewood, Board, Quartering Troops, and Damages done by them, Proviſions and Forage furniſhed the Continental Army and Militia, which to your Commiſſioner appeared ſo vague and improper for Allowance that he uniformly rejected them.

That your Commiſſioner had preſented to him a great Number of Copies of Certificates, ſaid to have been loſt by the Owners, accompanied with Affidavits to prove the ſame; but in his Opinion a Power of that Nature was not delegated to him, he therefore rejected them alſo.

That your Commiſſioner received three Vouchers, ſigned William White, Collector of Oxford, Suſſex County, which were preſented by George Seagrave, of that County, and appeared to your Commiſſioner as proper Vouchers, on which he iſſued Certificates: That afterwards the ſaid George Seagrave preſented three others, ſigned by the ſaid William White, for large Sums, in ſome of which it appeared there had been paid by one Man upwards of Seventy Pounds Tax, which led your Commiſſioner to believe that William White had received Certificates in Continental Money for a Tax in Continental Money, and had given a Certificate for the Balance of the Continental Certificate, payable in the Bills of Credit iſſued on the Faith of this State, without reducing it to Specie by the Scale, as it was his Duty to have done, for which Reaſon he did not allow the ſaid laſt Certificates; and, believing that William White, the Collector, had uniformly proceeded in that Way, directed the Treaſurer to ſtop the three Certificates he had iſſued on the three Vouchers firſt above mentioned, until the Buſineſs might be further enquired into: That the Treaſurer did get into his Hands the ſaid Certificates ſo iſſued when they were preſented to him for the

Payment of Intereſt by the ſaid George Seagrave, which Certificates were by the Treaſurer detained, and by him delivered to the Honourable the Chief-Juſtice, together with the three Vouchers laſt above mentioned, which were offered for Settlement, that he might, at the next Court of Oyer and Terminer, make Inquiry therein.

That your Commiſſioner has ſince that Time carefully examined the Regiſtry of Certificates and Vouchers, and finds that ſeveral Vouchers, ſigned by the ſaid William White, which he believes were ſimilarly circumſtanced, has been allowed as Specie by Mr. Condict, the former Commiſſioner.

Your Commiſſioner would further inform the Honourable the Legiſlature, that he has received, regiſtered and allowed, Three Hundred and Seventy-one Vouchers, on which he has iſſued State Notes from No. 3434 to No. 3679, incluſive, to wit, 246 Notes, amounting in Specie Value to Three Thouſand Five Hundred and Sixty-eight Pounds Three Shillings and Seven-pence Half-penny, Principal, and One Thouſand and Eight Pounds Eleven Shillings and Three Farthings, Intereſt.

That ſince the firſt of January a conſiderable Number of proper Vouchers have been preſented to him, with urgent Requeſts for him to ſettle them, alleging a Variety of Reaſons why they were not preſented before; but his Appointment extending no further, they were returned to the Bearers of them.

Trenton, February 1, 1788. MASKELL EWING.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Martin.

*Ordered*, ‘Council-Chamber, September 5, 1788.

‘THAT Mr. Martin do carry to the Houſe of Aſſembly the Bill, intitled, ‘“An Act to amend an Act for ſtriking and making current One Hun-“dred Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and direct-“ing the Mode for ſinking the ſame, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned,” ‘with the Amendment made thereto by this Houſe, and requeſt their Concur-‘rence in the ſaid Amendment.’

Which Bill, with the Amendment, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Petition from Archibald Mercer, of the County of Somerſet, praying, for Reaſons therein ſet forth, that the Legiſlature would direct the Treaſurer to pay him a Sum of Money due him as Aſſignee of Paul Schenck, from the Eſtate of Joſeph Allen, whoſe Eſtate was confiſcated to this State, and the Monies ariſing from the Sales thereof paid into the Treaſury, was read, and committed to Meſſrs. Van-Cleve, Davenport and Douglaſs.

A Memorial from David Rhea, late High Sheriff of the County of Monmouth, praying the Interpoſition of the Legiſlature in an Action now pending againſt him for the Arrearages of Taxes in the County of Monmouth, that the ſame may be ſtayed, or that State Notes ſhould be received in Diſcharge of the ſame, was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Smith.

‘*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, Sept. 5, 1788.

‘THAT Mr. Smith do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them ‘that this Houſe agree to the Warrants entitling Hannah Cobb, Rebecca ‘Murry and Sarah Farr, to draw their late Huſbands Half-pay; and alſo that ‘the Houſe diſagree to the Reſolution directing the Treaſurer to pay Twenty-two ‘Pounds Two Shillings and Six-pence to Heſſel Peterſo, publick Money taken ‘from him by Robbers,’ &c.

The Warrant entitling the Child of Lambert Johnſon to draw the Father's Half-pay was read, approved and ordered to be ſigned;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Whilden do carry the ſaid Warrant to Council for Concurrence.

Mr.

Mr. Combs, from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intitled, 'An Act to alter the Place, and aſcertain the Times, of holding the Supreme 'Court of Judicature of this State, and directing the future Meetings of the 'Legiſlature,' reported the ſame with ſundry Amendments; which was read, and the further Conſideration thereof poſtponed.

*Ordered*, That Meſſrs. Sinnickſon, Van-Cleve and Boyd, be appointed a Committee to report their Opinion on the Reſolution of the late Convention, reſpecting the Ceding to the United States a Diſtrict in the ſaid Reſolution mentioned.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Whilden reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Houſe reſumed the Conſideration of the Bill, intitled, 'An Act for in-'corporating a Seminary for the Education of Youth in New-Barbados, in the 'County of Bergen, by the Name of the Federal Academy of the County of 'Bergen;' and a Petition and Remonſtrance of the Board of Truſtees of Queen's College, in New-Jerſey, oppoſing the Paſſing of the ſame; was read; whereupon,

A Motion was made by Mr. Van-Cleve, ſeconded by Mr. Davenport, that the ſaid Bill be referred to the next Sitting; on the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree thereto? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Boyd, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Outwater, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Garritſe, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Wade, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Stillwell, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Anderſon, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Beardſlee. |
| Mr. Kelly, | Mr. E. Townſend, | | |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. R. Townſend, | | |

Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be referred to be read on the ſecond Wedneſday of the next Sitting, and any Objections that may then be made againſt paſſing the ſame by the Truſtees of Queen's College, or any others, may then be heard.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to amend an Act for ſtriking and making current 'One Hundred Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let out on Loan, and 'directing the Mode for ſinking the ſame, and for other Purpoſes therein menti-'oned,' with the Amendment made thereto by the Council, was read a ſecond Time, and the ſaid Amendment read in its Place, and, being conſidered, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill be re-engroſſed with the ſaid Amendment.

A Meſſage from Council by Mr. Mayhew.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, Sept. 5, 1788.

'THAT Mr. Mayhew do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint 'them that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to veſt in Major-General Baron de "Steuben, a certain forfeited Eſtate, lying in the County of Bergen, and to "repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned;" the Bill, intitled, "An Act to "authorize the Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Deptford, in the County of "Glouceſter, to build a Market-Houſe in the main Street of the Town of "Woodbury;" and alſo the Bill, intitled, "An Act to authorize the Governor "of the State, for the Time being, to commiſſion Courts of Oyer and Termi-

"ner,

" ner, and General Gaol Delivery, in the reſpective Counties within the ſame ;" ' are paſſed by this Houſe without Amendment.

The Houſe reſumed the Conſideration of the Bill, intitled, ' An Act to alter ' the Place, and aſcertain the Times, of holding the Supreme Court of Judica- ' ture of this State, and directing the future Meetings of the Legiſlature :' A Motion was made that the firſt Blank in the firſt Section be filled up with the Word--*Burlington* : On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree thereto ? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Bonney, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Little, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Bunn, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Kelly, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Van-Cleve, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Hankinſon. | Mr. Houghton, |
| | | | Mr. Anderſon, |
| | | | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| | | | Mr. Longſtreet. |

A Motion was made by Mr. Boyd, ſeconded by Mr. Wade, that the ſecond Blank in the ſaid Section be filled up with the Words—*Elizabeth-Town, in the County of Eſſex :* On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Motion ? It was carried in the Affirmative. On which the Yeas and Nays were required by Mr. Van-Cleve, ſeconded by Mr. Boyd.

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Combs, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Van-Cleve, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Houghton, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Anderſon. |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Little, | |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Rogers, | |
| Mr. Smith, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Bunn, | |
| Mr. Jones, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Blair, | |
| Mr. Clark, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Kelly, | |
| Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Beardſlee. | | |
| Mr. Cooper, | | | |
| Mr. Sinnickſon, | | | |

On the Queſtion, Whether the ſecond Section do paſs ? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Combs, | Mr. Blair, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Kelly, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Wade, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Little, | Mr. Van-Cleve, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Houghton, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Anderſon. |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Kitchel, | | |
| Mr. Smith, | Mr. Starke, | | |
| Mr. Jones, | Mr. Burgin, | | |
| Mr. Clark, | Mr. Hankinſon, | | |
| Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Beardſlee. | | |
| Mr. Cooper, | | | |

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An Amendment was moved by Mr. Van-Cleve, ſeconded by Mr. Anderſon, to the third Section, that the County of Hunterdon, inſtead of being included in the Weſtern Circuit, be added to the Eaſtern Circuit: On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Amendment? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

| Yeas. | Yeas. | Nays. | Nays. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Wade, | Mr. Hall, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Condict, | Mr. Holme, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. E. Townſend, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. R. Townſend, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. Cook, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Kitchel, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Burgin, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Hankinſon. |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Sinnickſon, | |

*Ordered*, That the further Conſideration of the ſaid Bill be poſtponed.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Eldredge.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, Sept. 5, 1788.

'THAT Mr. Eldredge do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint 'them that the Warrant entitling the Child of Lambert Johnſon to draw 'the Father's Half-pay is diſagreed to by this Houſe.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

## *Saturday, September* 6, 1788.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Cooper, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act 'to revive an Act, intitled, An Act to prevent Rams from running at Large at cer-'tain Seaſons of the Year;' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

On Motion,

*Reſolved*, That in all future Payments on the Arrearages of Taxes, levied in Continental Money, which are liquidated to Specie, the Treaſurer and Collectors be authorized and directed to receive the Bills of Credit of this State, emitted under Acts of the ninth of June 1780, and of the ninth of January 1781, at the Rate of three for one.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Van-Cleve do carry the ſaid Reſolution to Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Van-Cleve reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to incorporate within this State the Miniſter, El-'ders and Deacons, of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, of the Town 'of Orange, in Orange County,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Houſe reſumed the Conſideration of the Bill, intitled, 'An Act to alter 'the Place, and aſcertain the Times, of holding the Supreme Court of Judica-'ture of this State, and directing the future Meetings of the Legiſlature;' and, after having gone through the ſame by Paragraphs, it was ordered to be engroſſed.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Kitchel.

'Council-Chamber, Sept. 6, 1788.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Reſolution from the Houſe 'of Aſſembly, relative to directing the Treaſurer and Collectors to receive

'in future Payments, on the Arrears of Taxes, levied in Continental Money, 'and liquidated to Specie, the Bills of Credit of this State, emitted under the 'Acts of the 9th of June 1780, and of the 9th of January 1781, at the Rate 'of three for one.

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe agree thereto.'

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to legalize the Proceedings of the choſen Free-'holders, together with one of the Judges, of the ſeveral Counties within this 'State, at their uſual and ſtated Meetings, Adjournments, or when called toge-'ther by the Juſtices for any publick Purpoſes, without the Attendance of the 'ſaid Juſtices,' was read a ſecond Time, and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to revive an Act, intitled, An Act to prevent 'Rams from running at Large at certain Seaſons of the Year,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

Mr. Stillwell, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An 'Act for the more eaſy Partition of Lands held by Co-Parceners, Joint-Tenants, 'and Tenants in Common, and for the more effectually preventing the Waſte of 'Timber on the ſame;' which Bill was read, and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Houſe adjourned till Monday Morning ten of the Clock.

## *Monday, September* 8, 1788.

The Houſe met.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to revive an Act, intitled, 'An Act to 'prevent Rams from running at Large at certain Seaſons of the Year,' was read and compared;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to incorporate within this State the Mi-'niſter, Elders and Deacons, of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, of the 'Town of Orange, in Orange County,' was read and compared;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſaid Bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Bills to the Council for their Concurrence.

The re-engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to amend an Act for ſtriking and 'making current One Hundred Thouſand Pounds in Bills of Credit, to be let 'out on Loan, and directing the Mode for ſinking the ſame, and for other 'Purpoſes therein mentioned,' was read and compared;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame as amended do paſs.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cook do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the ſame is paſſed by this Houſe with their Amendment.

Mr. Combs, from the Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of John Halſted, of the County of Middleſex, reported as follows:

THAT, having examined into the Claim made by the ſaid Halſted, we do find due to the ſaid Halſted the Sum of Two Hundred and Ninety Pounds Five Shillings and Eleven-pence from the State, agreeably to the eleventh Section of the Act for forfeiting to, and veſting in this State the Eſtates of certain Fugitives and Offenders, paſſed December 11, 1778.

By Order of the Committee,

JOHN COMBS.

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On the Queſtion, Whether the Houſe agree to the ſaid Report? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Boyd, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Wade, | Mr. Davenport, |
| Mr. Outwater, | Mr. Holme, | Mr. Combs, | Mr. Whilden, |
| Mr. Garritſe, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Van-Cleve, |
| Mr. Condict, | Mr. R. Townſend, | Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Anderſon, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Starke, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Little, | Mr. Beardſlee, |
| Mr. Jones, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Longſtreet. |
| Mr. Clark, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Kelly, | |
| Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Hankinſon. | Mr. Biddle, | |

The Petition of Philip Plotts, read on the fourth Inſtant, was read a ſecond Time;

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer of the State be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to ſtay any Proſecution or Suit that he, on Behalf of the State, may have commenced againſt Philip Plotts, the Owner or Poſſeſſor of the Ferry from Philipſburgh acroſs to Eaſton, for not obtaining a Licenſe for keeping the ſaid Ferry, purſuant to the Directions of the Act, intitled, 'A Supplement to the 'Act, intitled, An Act for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and 'Taverns,' until the further Order of the Legiſlature, he the ſaid Philip Plotts paying and diſcharging all Coſts that may have accrued on the ſaid Proſecution.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Burgin do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Ogden.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, Sept. 8, 1788.

'THAT Mr. Ogden do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint 'them that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors "of certain Meadows, lying on Salem Creek, in the Townſhip of Mannington, "in the County of Salem, to make and maintain a Bank, Dams and other "Waterworks, in order to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſame;" and 'the Bill, intitled, "An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of the Mea-"dows and Swamp, lying on the Rivers Paſſaick, Rockaway and Whippanung, "between the Little Falls and Chatham, to remove the Obſtructions therein," 'are paſſed by this Houſe without Amendment.'

Mr. Cook reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Starke, agreeably to Leave given on the Petition of Peter Salmon, preſented the following Reſolution:

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be, and he is hereby authorized to iſſue a Certificate agreeably to the Act paſſed December 23, 1783, for aſcertaining the Value of Debts due from the forfeited Eſtates of certain Fugitives and Offenders, and for directing the Payment of the ſame, unto Peter Salmon, for Sixteen Pounds Two Shillings and Nine-pence, on Intereſt from this Date, being the Amount of Debt and Intereſt from the Eſtate of Allen Wager, a Fugitive with the Enemy; if ſo much of the Sales of the Eſtate of the ſaid Wager ſhall be in the Treaſury.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Burgin do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Burgin reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Whereas by a Reſolution of the Legiſlature paſſed the 23d of November 1786, the Treaſurer was directed to give a Certificate to Thomas Kinney, late Sheriff of the County of Morris, for the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds, without mentioning Intereſt for the ſame, it being for the Value of a

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Sum of Money paid by the ſaid Thomas Kinney on the 24th of March 1781, to one of the Commiſſioners of forfeited Eſtates for the County of Morris, and by him paid into the Treaſury, the ſaid Thomas Kinney not having as yet received the ſaid Certificate, but praying that Intereſt may be allowed him thereon.

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be directed to give a Certificate to the ſaid Thomas Kinney, for the ſaid Sum of One Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds, payable with Intereſt at Six per Cent from the ſaid 24th Day of March 1781.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Hankinſon do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. R. Townſend have Leave of Abſence during the Remainder of this Sitting.

Mr. Douglaſs, agreeably to Leave given on the Petition of Archibald Mercer, reported the following Reſolution :

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be, and he is hereby authorized to iſſue a Certificate, agreeably to an Act paſſed the 23d November 1785, to Archibald Mercer, Aſſignee of Paul Schenck, for the Sum of Eight Hundred and Thirty-ſeven Pounds Six Shillings, with Intereſt from the 24th Day of Auguſt 1784.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Hankinſon do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

On Motion,

*Ordered*, That a Warrant do iſſue in Favour of Dr. James Hubbard, Executor of the Teſtament and Laſt Will of Charity Johnſon, deceaſed, who was the Widow of Lambert Johnſton, late a Soldier of this State, and who died while in Captivity with the Enemy, to draw from the Treaſury Twenty-five Shillings per Month from the 15th April 1777, being the Amount of her late Huſband's Half-pay, during the Widowhood of the ſaid Charity Johnſon.

A Certificate of Half-pay, adjudged by the Court of Quarter Seſſions of the Peace for the County of Suſſex, in Favour of Lois Herriman, late Lois Talmage, who was the Widow of Daniel Talmage, late a Soldier of this State, and who was killed while in the Service of the United States, was read and approved ;

*Ordered*, That a Warrant do iſſue in Favour of the ſaid Lois Herriman, late Lois Talmage, for the Sum of Twenty-five Shillings per Month from the 22d July 1779, being the Amount of her late Huſband's Half-pay, until the ſeventh Day of November 1782.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Wade, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to 'ratify and confirm the Proceedings of Samuel Hays, Eſquire, late Loan Officer 'of the County of Eſſex,' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

Mr. Hankinſon reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Jones, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Anthony Broderick, reported the following Reſolution :

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer be directed to give a Draught or Order in Favour of Anthony Broderick, upon any one or more of the Collectors of Suſſex County, for ſo much of the Arrears of Taxes due in ſaid County previous to the Year 1784, as will amount to One Thouſand Pounds, upon his depoſiting in the Treaſury for ſuch Draught, Loan-Office Certificates or Notes ſigned by Benjamin Thompſon, Commiſſioner, to the Amount of the ſaid Sum, and alſo upon the ſaid Anthony Broderick giving a Receipt to the Treaſurer on Account of the above mentioned Order or Draught.

To which the Houſe agreed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Boyd do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for their Concurrence.

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The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to alter the Place, and aſcertain the 'Times, of holding the Supreme Court of Judicature of this State, and direct-'ing the future Meetings of the Legiſlature,' was read and compared; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Smith, | Mr. Whilden, | Mr. Boyd, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. Jones, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Outwater, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Clark, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Garritſe, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Davenport, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Wade, |
| Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Anderſon, | Mr. Condict, |
| Mr. Blair, | Mr. Sinnickſon, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Combs, |
| Mr. Kelly, | Mr. Hall, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Bonney, |
| Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Holme, | | Mr. Cook, |
| | | | Mr. Kitchel, |
| | | | Mr. Starke, |
| | | | Mr. Beardſlee. |

*Ordered*, That the ſaid Bill do lie on the Table.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for the Direction of Judges in taxing Coſts for 'perpetuating Evidence, and to repeal the Act, intitled, An Act for regulating 'and ſhortening the Proceedings in the Courts of Law,' was read a ſecond Time; on the Queſtion, Whether the ſaid Bill be read a third Time? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

| Nays. | Nays. | Nays. | Yeas. |
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| Mr. Wade, | Mr. Bunn, | Mr. Cook, | Mr. Boyd, |
| Mr. Combs, | Mr. Blair, | Mr. Kitchel, | Mr. Outwater, |
| Mr. Bonney, | Mr. Biddle, | Mr. Starke, | Mr. Garritſe, |
| Mr. Douglaſs, | Mr. Cooper, | Mr. Burgin, | Mr. Condict, |
| Mr. Stillwell, | Mr. E. Townſend, | Mr. Hankinſon, | Mr. Smith, |
| Mr. Little, | Mr. Van-Cleve, | Mr. Beardſlee, | Mr. Jones, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Houghton, | Mr. Longſtreet. | Mr. Davenport, |
| | | | Mr. Sinnickſon, |
| | | | Mr. Holme, |
| | | | Mr. Whilden, |
| | | | Mr. Anderſon. |

*Ordered*, That Mr. Outwater do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the ſaid Bill is rejected by this Houſe.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for erecting the upper Part of the County of Hun-'terdon, and lower Part of the County of Suſſex, into a ſeparate County, to be 'called the County of Independence, and for building a Courthouſe and Gaol 'in the ſaid County, and alſo for annexing the Townſhip of Nottingham to the 'County of Hunterdon, with the ſeveral Petitions reſpecting the ſame,' was read, and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Petition from the County of Burlington, praying that a Law may be paſſed for the Preſervation of Cranberries, was read a ſecond Time, and referred to the next Seſſion.

Mr. Cooper, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to 'encourage the raiſing and keeping of Oxen for Draught, and to diſcourage 'the keeping a ſuperfluous Number of Horſes in this State,' which Bill was read, and ordered to be referred to the next Seſſion.

The Petition from ſundry Owners and Poſſeſſors of Meadows in Penn's Neck, in the County of Salem, praying an Alteration to the Law paſſed for the better Improvement of their Meadow, was read and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Petition from a Number of Perſons, Inhabitants of Trenton, praying a

Law may be paſſed to annex them as an Infantry Company to the firſt Regiment of the County of Hunterdon, and that they may not be obliged to attend Duty in the Militia Company of the ſaid Town, was read, and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of a Tract 'of Meadow and Marſh, on the Northeaſt Side of Oldman's Creek, in the Town-'ſhip of Woolwich, in the County of Glouceſter, to uphold and maintain a 'certain Bank, to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſaid Meadow and 'Marſh, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned,' was read, and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for building a Courthouſe and Gaol, in the Coun-'ty of Hunterdon, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned,' was read and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to promote the Commerce of New-Jerſey, by im-'poſing Duties on all foreign Goods imported into this State from any of the 'neighbouring States,' was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to raiſe the Sum of
'for the Uſe of the United States,' was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Petition from David Olden, read on the 23d November 1786, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition from ſundry Inhabitants of the Townſhip of Maidenhead, in the County of Hunterdon, praying that a Law may be paſſed to direct their Highways to be repaired by Hire, and that they may be authorized to raiſe Money for that Purpoſe, was read, and referred to the next Seſſion.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to ratify and confirm the Proceedings of Samuel 'Hays, Eſquire, late Loan-Officer of the County of Eſſex,' was read a ſecond Time, debated, and ordered to be engroſſed.

Mr. Wade, from the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, reported the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act for defraying incidental Charges,' which Bill was read, and ordered a ſecond Reading.

The Houſe adjourned till To-morrow Morning eight of the Clock.

## *Tueſday, September* 9, 1788.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Outwater reported that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

Mr. Boyd reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Thompſon.

'Council-Chamber, Sept. 8, 1788.

'*Ordered*,

'THAT Mr. Thompſon do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint 'them that the Reſolution relative to authorizing the Treaſurer to iſſue 'a Certificate to Peter Salmon for Sixteen Pounds Two Shillings and Nine-pence, 'with Intereſt, &c. is diſagreed to by this Houſe: That the Reſolution relative 'to directing the Treaſurer to ſtay Proſecution againſt Philip Plotts, &c. and 'the Reſolution relative to directing the Treaſurer to give a Certificate to Tho-'mas Kinney, for the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds, &c. are 'agreed to by this Houſe; and alſo that he carry the Bill, intitled, "An Act "ceding to Congreſs a Diſtrict of Land not exceeding ten Miles ſquare, and "Powers of exerciſing a Juriſdiction over the ſame, for the Seat of the Federal "Government," and requeſt their Concurrence therein.'

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The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to ratify and confirm the Proceedings of 'Samuel Hays, late Loan-Officer of the County of Eſſex,' was read and compared;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Garritſe do carry the ſaid Bill to Council for Concurrence.

The Warrant entitling Lois Herriman, late Lois Talmage, to draw her former Huſband's Half-pay, and the Warrant entitling Doctor James Hubbard to draw the Half-pay of Lambert Johnſon, for the Benefit of the Eſtate of his Widow Charity Johnſton, during her Widowhood, was read and approved;

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Garritſe do carry the ſaid Warrants to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Garritſe reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

The Petition from Oxford, in the County of Suſſex, read on the 5th Inſtant, was read a ſecond Time, and referred to the next Seſſion.

Mr. Biddle, with Leave, preſented the Draught of a Bill, intitled, 'An Act 'to amend an Act, intitled, An Act for regulating and ſhortening the Proceed-'ings in the Courts of Law,' which Bill was read, and ordered to be referred to the next Seſſion.

Two Meſſages from the Council by Mr. Haring.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, Sept. 9, 1788.

'THAT Mr. Haring do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that this Houſe agree to the Reſolution relative to authorizing the Treaſu-'rer to iſſue a Certificate to Archibald Mercer, Aſſignee of Paul Schenck, for 'Eight Hundred and Thirty-ſeven Pounds Six Shillings, &c. the Warrants en-'titling Lois Herriman, late Lois Talmage, to draw her former Huſband's 'Half-pay; and Doctor James Hubbard to draw the Half-pay of Lambert John-'ſon, for the Benefit of the Eſtate of Charity Johnſon, during her Widow-'hood; and alſo the Reſolution relative to directing the Treaſurer to give an 'Order in Favour of Anthony Broderick, upon any of the Collectors of Suſſex, 'for ſo much of the Arrears of Taxes as will amount to £. 1000,' &c.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haring do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them that the Bill, intitled, 'An Act to revive an Act, intitled, An Act to pre-'vent Rams from running at Large at certain Seaſons of the Year;' and the Bill, intitled, 'An Act to incorporate within this State the Miniſter, Elders and 'Deacons, of the Reformed Proteſtant Dutch Church, of the Town of Orange, 'in Orange County;' are paſſed by this Houſe without Amendment.

Mr. Blair, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of Council on ſuch publick Accounts as ſhould be referred to them during the preſent Seſſion, reported as follows:

THAT there is due to William Little, for Medicine and Attendance on Captain Stillwell, a wounded Officer, and Captain Covenhoven, who was ſick in the Month of June 1777, in the Service of the United States, the Sum of Eight Pounds.

By Order of the Committees,

EPHRAIM MARTIN,
ROBERT BLAIR.

The Houſe, having taken the ſaid Report into Conſideration,

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer pay to the Perſon therein named the Sum of Eight Pounds.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Condict do carry the ſaid Account and Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

*Reſolved*,

*Reſolved*, That the Treaſurer of this State be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to ſtay any Proſecution or Suit that he, on Behalf of the State, may have commenced againſt John Noe, the Owner and Poſſeſſor of the New Blazing Star Ferry, for not obtaining a Licenſe for keeping the ſaid Ferry, purſuant to the Direction of the Act, intitled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intitled, An Act for raiſing a Revenue from certain Stages, Ferries and Taverns,' until the further Orders of the Legiſlature, he the ſaid John Noe paying and diſcharging all Coſts that may have accrued by the ſaid Proſecution.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Condict do carry the ſaid Reſolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for defraying ſundry incidental Charges,' was read a ſecond Time, agreed to, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act ceding to Congreſs a Diſtrict of Land not exceeding ten Miles ſquare, and Powers of exerciſing a Juriſdiction over the ſame, for the Seat of the Federal Government,' was read a ſecond Time, and ordered a third Reading.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Whilden have Leave of Abſence during the Remainder of the preſent Sitting.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Poſſeſſors of Meadow Ground, lying on the lower Side of Alloways Creek, in the County of Salem, &c. to rebuild, repair and maintain, the Banks, Dams, Sluices, and other Works thereof, to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſame, and to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned,' was read a ſecond Time, and ordered to be engroſſed.

The Houſe adjourned to three o'Clock, P. M.

The Houſe met.

Mr. Harris, having been ſick and unable to attend the Houſe for ſome Time paſt, now attended and took his Seat.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act for defraying ſundry incidental Charges,' was read and compared;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

The engroſſed Bill, intitled, 'An Act to enable the Owners and Tenants in Poſſeſſion of the Meadow Ground, lying on the lower Side of Alloways Creek, in the County of Salem, between the faſt Land of William Hancock and Joſeph Stretch, both deceaſed, and extending back from the ſaid Creek to a Bank called Moore's Bank, running from a Point of Land of ſaid Hancock to a Point of Mary Moore's Land, to rebuild, repair and maintain, the Banks, Dams, Sluices, and other Works thereof, to prevent the Tide from overflowing the ſame, and to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned,' was read and compared;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſaid Bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Bonney do carry the ſaid Bills to the Council for their Concurrence.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act ceding to Congreſs a Diſtrict of Land not exceeding ten Miles ſquare, and Power of exerciſing a Juriſdiction over the ſame, for the Seat of the Federal Government,' was read a third Time;

*Reſolved unanimouſly*, That the ſame do paſs.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do ſign the ſame.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Bonney do carry the ſaid Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the ſame is paſſed by this Houſe without Amendment.

A Petition from the Owners and Poſſeſſors of the Marſh, Swamp and Meadow, lying in Penn's Neck, in Salem County, between the faſt Land of Thomas Carney, Eſq. and the faſt Land of Henry Jeans, praying Leave to preſent a Bill to enable them to bank, drain, lay Sluices, and make ſuch other Works as may be neceſſary to prevent the Tide from overflowing their Marſh, Swamp and Meadows, was read;

*Ordered*, That they have Leave to preſent a Bill, agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition, at the next Seſſion, previouſly advertiſing the Purport of the Bill they mean to preſent, and the Time they mean to preſent it, with a Copy of this Order, in at leaſt three of the moſt publick Places in the Townſhip of Penn's Neck for three Weeks previous thereto.

Mr. Condict reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the Houſe.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Peck.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, Sept. 9, 1788.

'THAT Mr. Peck do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint them 'that this Houſe agree to the Reſolution relative to authorizing the Treaſurer to ſtay the Proſecution he, on Behalf of the State, may have commenced 'againſt John Noe, the Owner and Poſſeſſor of the New Blazing Star Ferry, &c. 'and that the Bill, intitled, "An Act to ratify and confirm the Proceedings of "Samuel Hays, Eſq. late Loan-Officer of the County of Eſſex," is paſſed by 'this Houſe without Amendment.'

A Meſſage from Council by Mr. Randolph.

'*Ordered*, Council-Chamber, Sept. 9, 1788.

'THAT Mr. Randolph do wait on the Houſe of Aſſembly, and acquaint 'them that the Bill, intitled, "An Act for defraying ſundry incidental "Charges;" and the Bill, intitled, "An Act to enable the Owners and Tenants in "Poſſeſſion of the Meadow Ground, lying on the lower Side of Alloways Creek, "in the County of Salem, &c. to rebuild, repair and maintain, the Banks, Dams, "Sluices, and other Waterworks thereof, to prevent the Tide from overflowing "the ſame, and to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned;" are paſſed by 'this Houſe without Amendment.'

The Petition from David Rhea, Eſq. late Sheriff of the County of Monmouth, was read a ſecond Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Meſſage from the Council by Mr. Holmes.

'Council-Chamber, Sept. 9, 1788.

'THE Council having taken into Conſideration the Report of the Committee 'on publick Accounts, and the Reſolution accompanying the ſame;

'*Reſolved*, That the Houſe do approve of the ſaid Report, and concur in the 'ſaid Reſolution.'

The Houſe roſe and cloſed the Seſſion.

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